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Capital	Authorized	Rs. 50,00,000
Capital	Issued	Rs. 31,00,000
Capital	Subscribed	Rs. 31,00,000
Capital	Paid-up	Rs. 16,21,208
Reserve	Funds	Rs. 11,38,650

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CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS

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Reserve Fund	Yen 21,300,00

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AUCTIONEERS & COMMISSION AGENTS.

21, Medows Street.

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

The sale of Immoveable Property situate at Kika Street that was advertised to take place to-morrow under instructions from Mr. Matubhai Kersanbhai an another the mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the mortgagors Mancooverbai, wife of Kalyanji Purshotam and another is POSTPONED.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVEABLE PROPERTIES SITUATE AT TRIMBUCK PURASHRAM STREET, NEAR NORTH BROOKE GARDEN, AND AT OLD HANUMAN 1st CROSS LANE, NEAR KALBADEVI OUT OF FORT, BOMBAY.

HIGH COURT.

Ordinary Original Civil Juridiction.

Suit No. 1513 of 1914.

Ranchordas Purshotam Morarji ... Plaintiff
v/s.
Manibai, widow and another ..... Defendants.

Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE and Co., will under instructions from Mr. Ranchordas Purshotam Morarji and Bai Manibai, widow of Purshotam Morarji, Joint Receivers appointed by the order of the High Court dated the 13th day of November, 1916, in Suit No. 1513 of 1914 sell by public auction on the premises in separate lots in pursuance of the order made by the said High Court in the said suit the following properties belonging to the plaintiffs and defendants.

LOT NO. 1.

Trimbuck Purshram Street Property sale on Saturday the 24th day of March 1917 at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) on the premises.

PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Foras Freehold new salt butty land admeasuring according to the title deeds 280 square yards or thereabouts but stated in the records of the Collector of Bombay to admeasure 266 square yards or thereabouts registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue, Bombay under Collector's Old No. 546 Collector's New No. A/14092 Old Survey No. 4 and New Survey No. 2/5598 with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under D Ward No. 2668 (2) and Street No. 234 (Grant Road) and Ward No. 2367 and Street No. 150. 158 (Trimbuck Purseram Street) and which said premises are situate at and on the west side of Trimbuck Purseram Street in the City and Registration Sub-district of Bombay and are bounded on or towards the East by the Trimbuck Purseram Street aforesaid on or towards the west by the property of Bhanji Ramji, on or towards the North by the Grant Road aforesaid and on or towards the south by the property of Hormasji Merwanji and were formerly and are now in the occupation of the tenants of the mortgagors.

LOT NO. 2.

Old Hamman 1st Cross Lane Property Sale on Wednesday the 28th day of March 1917 at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) on the premises.

PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Fazendari land or ground with the messuage tenements or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being in Gaweshr oart in the old Hanuman Lane outside the Fort in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Island of Bombay containing by admeasurement 159 8/9 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Municipal Assessor formerly under No. 88 and New under Ward C No. 1479 Street No. 13 and 15 Old Hanuman Street 1st Cross Lane and bounded as follows:—that is to say on the East by the sweepers passage on the west and north by a public passage and on the south by the property of Premji Pragji.

For further particulars and condition of sale application may be made to Messrs. Edgelow Gulabchand Wadia and Co., Attorneys for the Receivers at their Office 65, Esplanade Road or to the undersigned auctioneers.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & Co.,
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Under instructions from C. Vernon, Esq., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by public auction on SATURDAY, the 24th day of March, 1917, at 2 p.m., (S.T.) sharp at the Wellington House, opposite the Taj Mahal Hotel, Mereweather Road, Apollo Bunder, very valuable rich handsome artistic high class household furniture consisting of large telescopic dining table, handsome dining chairs, dinner waggon, dumbwaiter, meatsafe, English-made drawing room rich pattern handsome spring cushioned inlaid suite lined with rich silk tapestry, drawing centre table, teakwood single and double mirror door almiras, dressing chest of drawers clothes and gown, hanging presses, ward robes, side boards with mirror back, handsome teakwood and blackwood corner stands, teapoys, hat stands, marble top tables, dressing and writing tables, carved chiffoniers, jardiniers, palmstands, selected artistic Japanese cabinets, wall brackets, large blackwood carved, looking glass with 2 elephants, hassock, carved easels, blackwood carved chairs, book case, large teakwood screen, English brass bedstead, rich brass hall standing lamps, table lamps, books, novels, toilet sets, wooden bath tub, wash hand tables, large collection of very old chinaware, collected with great difficulty, very rare and old pieces of satsumaware, large china dishes wall plates and jars, rich paintings, artistic pictures, photo frames, china flower stands, rich ornaments, glass bead door chicks, bronze figures, flower pots, rich Persian carpets, English silver-mounted Hall marked tea and coffee sets, fruit knives, electro plated wares by Elkington and Barton, ice box, rich English glassware, crockery ware, etc. etc

The property of C. Vernon Esq., Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

N. B.—The intending collectors of the abovenamed pieces are earnestly requested to view the said pieces as they are of very rare and choice selection.

Auction Sale of the Insolvents' right title and interest in the landed properties at Lady Jamshedji Road, Mahim.

Under instruction from B. N. Lang, Esq., the Official Assignee Bombay and the Assignee of the Estate and effects of Kumbhar Laxman Mulji and others Insolvents and subject to an alleged mortgage, claimed by Abdul Husain Mahomedally Mandiwala, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by public auction on WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of April 1917 at 3-30 p.m. the right, title and interest of the said Insolvents in the following landed property on the premises.

Particulars of Property:—All that piece or parcel of Government land ground or wadi (oart) together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate lying and being on the south side of Lady Jamshedji Road, Mahim, without the Fort of Bombay and in the Registration district and Sub-district of Bombay, admeasuring 2,519 square yards or thereabouts and bounded on the north by the Lady Jamshedji Road, on the south by a wall of the said wadi and partly by the property of Vishwanath Vasudeo, on the east by the property of Ganpat Pandurang Venkaji and on the west by the wadi (oart) belonging to Kulpanbhai and which said premises are registered in the books of the Clolector of Land Revenue under Old No. 633 New No. 4552, Old Survey No. 126 and New Survey No. 133 and assessed by the Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under "G" Ward No. 5713 (1), 5713 (2), 5714 and Street No. 189, 189A and 190, and are now in the possession of the said Official Assignee.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to Messrs. Tyabji Dayabhai & Co., Solicitors for the said Official Assignee at their office at Esplanade Road, Fort, or to the Undersigned.

CRAWFORD & Co.,
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No. 35, HUMMUM STREET, FORT.

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A large quantity of Dropping; Low fly; Gutter fly; oily hard waste; Piecers waste; reeling dirty; broken cops; Top roller; frame clearer; card roller fly; oily cotton; coloured waste; roving dirty; oily spindle; banding carding cylinder stripping; card flat stripping etc., etc.

MENESSE & Co.
Auctioneers.

Bombay 21st March 1917.

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NOORMAHOMED ALLADIN.
Bombay, 20th March, 1917. 7477

NOTICE.

LOST.

LOST or MISLAID the SHARE CERTIFICATES Nos. B22557 and 22634 distinctive Nos. 85476 to 85480 and 81281 to 81285 of the Bombay Electric Supply and Tramway Co., Ltd. If any one deals with the said Certificates he will do so at his own risk.
KESHAVLAL GIRDHARBHAI TRIVEDI.
Junagadh, 18th March, 1917.
7481

BOMBAY PORT TRUST DOCKS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Revised Scale of Rates to be charged at the Docks framed under Sections 43,43(a) and 43 (b) of the Bombay Port Trust Act, 1879, as from time to time amended, and sanctioned under Government Resolution No. 221, dated 9th February 1917, published in the "Bombay Government Gazette" dated 15th February 1917 and 8th March 1917, will come into force from 1st *April*, 1917.
The temporary Surtax on Docks charges will only be levied after this date as follows:—
(a) 25 per cent. Surtax on Wharfage, Transhipment and Overside Charges on West Coast Cargoes under Sections II, VII & VIII.
(b) 25 per cent. Surtax on Cranage Charges under Section VI.
(c) 25 per cent Surtax on Dry Docks Dues under Section XI.
Applications to the undersigned for copies of the Revised Scale of Rates are invited.
Fort Street, Bombay.
20th March 1917
J. A. CHERRY,
7439 Manager.

NOTICE OF RETIREMENT OF A PARTNER.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership heretobefore subsisting between HAFIZ KHANBHOY MOOLA ABDULALLY, ABDUL HOOSEIN HEPTULLABHOY, ABEDIN HEPTULLABHOY, MOSHINBHAI HEPTULLABHOY, ALIMAHOMED HEPTULLABHOY and JAFFER HOOSEIN ESSOOFALLY, who carried on business at Bombay, Behrin, Basra and Surat under the style and firm of HAFIZ KHANBHOY MOOLA ABDULALI has been dissolved as from the 3rd day of February 1917 so far as concerns the said JAFFER HOOSEIN ESSOOFALLY, who retires from the said Firm and the other partners will continue the firm under the same name of HAFIZ KHANBHOY MOOLA ABDULALLY. All debts due to and owing by the said firm will be received and paid respectively by the partners who continue the firm as aforesaid.
Dated this 20th day of March, 1917.
JAFFER HOOSEIN ESSOOFALLY,
ABDULHOOSSEIN HEPTULLABHOY.
FOR self and for Hafiz Khanbhoy Moola Abdulally, Allimahomed Heptoollabhoy, Abedin Heptoollabhoy and Mohshinbhoy Heptoollabhoy.
7471

PUBLIC NOTICE,

UCTION SALE of standing Moina trees (used for Railway slippers) will be held at 3 p.m., on MONDAY, 26th March, 1917. Apply for particulars to the undersigned.
(Sd.) MOTILAL L. PAREKH,
Divan, Baria State.
Hazur Office.
Devgad Baria.
Dated 12th March, 1917. 7382

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. CROFT MODY & Co., of Gresham Buildings, Esplanade Road, Bombay, have ceased to be the agents of the Perfect Pottery Co., Ltd., Jubulpore, C. P. and that Mr. Ardeshir Rustomji Subedar, Dubash and Government contractor 327, Hornby Road, has been appointed SOLE AGENT of the company for the Bombay Presidency.
By order of the Board of Directors.
7473

LOST.

LOST or MISLAID one DEFERRED SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 9076 of the Tata Iron and Steel Company, Limited. If any one deals with the above mentioned share certificate he will do so at his own risk.
ABDULLA ALLADIN.
Bombay, 20th March, 1917. 7476

NOTICE.

I, GYANCHAND DIWANCHAND OBHRAI, of Jhelum, having now attained my majority on 11th day of February, 1917, do hereby notify to all concerned that I repudiate all or any acts done, during my minority by Sita Ram or by Sita Ram Lakhmidas or by Lakhmidas, in contravention, or in excess of their written authority and agreement, in connection with the firm "GYANCHAND SITA RAM" at Bombay, and that I especially disown liability for any Hundies, Bills of Exchange or Promissory Notes executed by the said person or persons, in the name of the above mentioned firm, except where the consideration received has been duly credited in the books of the firm, or new hundies or Promissory Notes have been executed in their place on the recommendation of my grandfather Lala Fateh Chand Pleader, Jhelum.
Sincerely,
GYANCHAND DIWANCHAND
7472 OBHRAI.

LEGAL NOTICES

SALE ON THE PREMISES.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.
Suit No. 748 of 1916, O.S.
The BANK of BARODA, Ltd. ..... Plaintiffs.
v/s.
(1) MAMOOBAI, widow of BHIMJI BHANJI; (2) LAXMIDAS BHIMJI and (3) NANJI BHANJI ..... Defendants.

PURSUANT to the Consent Decree made in the above Suit and bearing date the 15th day of July, 1916, and the Consent Chamber order dated the 8th day of February, 1917, the following immoveable properties will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at the respective premises, on the days following that is to say the property described under Lot No. I on MONDAY, the 19th day of March, 1917, at the hour of half past four o'clock in the afternoon (S.T.) the property described under Lot No. II on THURSDAY, the 22nd day of March, 1917, at the hour of half past four o'clock in the afternoon (S.T.) the property described under Lot No. III on TUESDAY, the 27th day of March, 1917, at the hour of half past four o'clock in the afternoon (S.T.) the property described under Lot No. IV on THURSDAY, the 29th day of March 1917 at the hour of half past four o'clock in the afternoon (S.T.)

PARTICULARS.

All the right, title, and interest of the Plaintiffs and the Defendants abovenamed in the undermentioned three properties:—viz:
LOT NO. II.—All those two pieces or parcels of Foras land or ground with the bungalow out-houses and stables standing thereon situate at Tardeo outside the Fort of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay now containing by admeasurement 2166 and 4275 square yards or thereabouts respectively but shown in the Collector's records as admeasuring together 6422 8/9 square yards or thereabouts assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 326, 328, 328 and 528 and New Nos. 13846 and 14049 Old Survey Nos. 117, 109 and 110 and New Survey No. 7021 assessed by the Collector of Municipal assessment under Ward D No 3734 (1) and (2) 3735, 3736, 3737 (1, 2 and 3) 3735 (1) and Street Nos. 1, 2, 3, 3A, 3B, 107 109, 109A, 113-117 and bounded on the East and North by the property of Vithoba Ramji and Ramchander Manekji on the West by the Public Road and on the South by the property of Wasudeo Ramchander and all which said premises are now in the occupation of the tenants of the first defendant Mamoobai.
LOT NO. III.—All that piece or parcel of ground containing by admeasurement 187 square yards or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 510 New No. 6162 Old Survey No. 899 and New Survey No. 2257 together with the tenement or messuage dwelling house standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under B Ward Nos 1597 Street Nos. 18, 20 all which premises are situate at Vadachi Gadi in Samuel Street without the Fort of Bombay in the Registration District of Bombay and are bounded on or towards the East by the Public Road on or towards the West partly by the property of Bai Jeevanbai widow of Karamchand Soonderji and partly by the property of KesserBai wife of Dewji Soonderjee and on the South partly by Bhandaree Street and partly by the house of Memon Ebrahim Jawall and on or towards the North by ... and which said premises were and are in the possession of the tenants of the said Mamoobai widow of Bhimji Bhanji.
LOT NO. IV.—All that piece or parcel of land containing by admeasurement 293 square yards or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 717 New No. 6433 Old Survey No. 5910 and New Survey No. 2581 together with the tenement or building standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under B Ward 1352, 1353 Street Nos. 106, 108 and 108A all which premises are situate at Kazi Syed Street outside the Fort of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and are bounded on or towards the East by the Public Road on or towards the West by the passage for halalkhore partly belonging to Dada Israel and partly belonging to the said premises on or towards the North by the house of Dhunji Ebji and on or towards the South by the house of Poonjiaji Cawasjee which said premises were and are in the occupation of the tenants of the said Mamoobai widow of Bhimjee Bhanjee.
For further particulars and conditions of sale, application should be made at the office of the said Commissioner or at the office of Messrs. Little and Company, Attorneys for the Plaintiffs abovenamed at the Old Secretariat, Fort, Bombay or to Messrs. Ardeshir Hormasjee Dinshaw and Company, Attorneys for the Defendants abovenamed at Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.
Dated this 15th day of February, 1917.
H. H. WADIA,
7283 Commissioner.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HAJI ISMAIL and AHMED HAJI ABOO of Bombay Mahomedan Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to CASSUM MOTI and HAJI CASSUM HAJI HABIB, who have in their turn contracted to sell the said property to our clients. All persons therefore having any claim in or to the said property or any part thereof by way of inheritance, bequest, sale gift, mortgage, lease, lien, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office No. 113, Esplanade Road Fort, within 14 days from the dae hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claims and all such claims will be considered as waived
DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.
All that piece or parcel of Foras land or ground together with messuages tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being at Grant Road without the Fort of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, admeasuring on a recent admeasurement seven hundred and fifty-two square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 546, 546 New Nos. 14090, 14097, 14099, Old Survey No. 4 and 4 and New Survey Nos. 1/5596, 2/5596, 2/5597 and 3/5598 which have been redeemed from payment of Foras to Government and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under D Ward Nos. 2369 2370 and Street Nos. 236 and 1 and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the West partly by the property of Haji Jan Mahomed Haji Ismail and partly by the property of Merwanji Pestonji, partly by the property of Abaji Rotiwala partly by the property of Dhunjibhoy Jamshedji and partly by the property of Purshotam Morarji on or towards the West by the common private passage and beyond it by the property of Khoja Haji Ladak Mukhi on or towards the South by a sweepers passage and beyond it by the property of Khoja Ladack Mukhi and on or towards the North by the said Grant Road and which said premises are now in the occupation of the tenants of the vendor the said Haji Aboo Haji Ismail and Ahmed Haji Aboo.
Dated this 20th day of March, 1917.
ARDESIR HORMASJI DINSHAW & Co.,
7470 Purchaser's Attorneys.

SALE BY AUCTION

BENNETT & CO.
NO 22, APOLLO STREET, FORT.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE ORNAMENTS.
Suit No. 1336, 1912.
Nagindas Bhagwandas ..... Plaintiff
v.
Bachoo Harkisondas and others ... Defendants.

Under instructions from R. D. Sethna, Esq. Receiver of the Bombay properties, appointed by the Order of the High Court, dated the 10th day of October, 1912, in Suit No. 128 of 1901, Appeal No. 2 of 1912 Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will, on MONDAY, the 26th and TUESDAY, the 27th instant at 2 p.m. (S. T.), each day sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, in pursuance of the Order made by the High Court in Suit No. 1336 of 1912, very valuable ornaments consisting of diamond, emerald, ruby and pearl necklace, bangles, ravifuls, kadas, nose rings, ear-studs, rings etc., belonging to the joint family estate of the plaintiff and the 1st defendant.
On TUESDAY, the 27th instant at 3 p.m.
Also by order of the Executors of the late Mr. Cawasji Pallonji Khatao.
4 very valuable large diamond rings.
1 very valuable diamond and ruby ring.
2 gold watches.
1 gold waist watch.
3 diamond buttons and one diamond collar button.
The ornaments will be kept on view in our show rooms from 11-30 a.m. to 5-0 p.m. (S. T.), for three clear days before the sale.
As regards the particulars of the ornaments and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Muljee and Thakoredas Attorneys for the Receiver at No. 7, Church Gate Street, or to the Undersigned.

SALE OF THE RIGHTS OF CULTIVATING LANDS, CUTTING GRASS, CATCHING FISH COLLECTING MANGO CROP AND CHIKOO CROP, ETC.
By order of the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Tardeo Flat Chowki, TO-MORROW THURSDAY, the 22nd instant, at 8-30 a.m. (B. T.), the several rights mentioned hereunder:—
13 rights of cutting grass (10 rights for the period of one year and 3 for 5 months), from the Old Sonapur ground, at Worlee, Agripada Drain, Curry Road, Arthur Road Health Camp, Main Drain, between Arthur Road and Clerk Road, Old Hindu Cemetery to north of Clerk Road and from Old Mogul Cemetery on the south of Clerk Road.
(1) Right of catching fish from water canal, on Municipal ground at Coorla for one year.
(1) Right of drawing toddy from the date trees standing on the burial ground, at Haines Road, for one year.
(10) Rights of cultivating grounds for one year, at as many different places, such as Coorla, Sion, Mahim and Worlee reclamation grounds, ground at Arthur Road, with right to take water from tank as well as pieces of land at Sewri, De Lisle Road, adjoining the Sheep Market and 3 different plots at Tardeo.
Rights of the Wafer Works Department.
Cutting grass from the slopes of the Bhandarwada Reservoirs and Malabar Hill Reservoir and fishing and planting shingodas in Naigaum Tank.
Right of the Executive Engineer Department.
Cutting grass and gathering fruits from the ground at Worli Hill.
For details and conditions of sale of the above rights apply at the Municipal Commissioner's Office, Fort, or to the Deputy Health Officer, G. Ward, in his office, near the G. I. P. Railway, Parel Station, or to the Undersigned.
The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the higher or any offer.

BONA-FIDE SALE.
AUCTION SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ETC.
Under instructions from Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, Attorneys for the Trustees of Porpia Pradhan Charities, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant, sell by Public Auction, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), at Walkeshwar Road, near the last Government House Gate Road, very valuable teak and blackwood carved and plain household furniture consisting of large blackwood carved sofas, cushions chairs, valuable blackwood carved marble top Pier tables, large mirrors, drawing room 3, 4, 6, 8 and 12, light rich glass chandeliers, side wall chandelliers, centre Ottoman, 3 seated Ottoman, wall clock, blackwood teapoys, swing handies, iron safe, pictures, utensils, etc., etc.
Furniture will be on view four days before the sale.
AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE PROPERTY AT PAREL NEAR THE GOODS YARD AT CHINCHPOGLI OF THE G. I. P. RAILWAY AND OPPOSITE THE CHINCHPOGLI FIRE BRIGADE STATION.
Under instructions from Messrs. Mehta Dalpatram and Lalji, Attorneys for the 1st mortgagee and on account and at the risk of the mortgagor Lalji Morarji and others and by virtue of the power of sale reserved to the said mortgagee by Indentures of Mortgage and further charge dated respectively the 28th day of September, 1909, and 29th day of October 1914, and made between Lalji Morarji and others of the one part and the mortgagee of the other part, Messrs. BENNETT and Co., Auctioneers, will, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of April, 1917, at 5 p.m. (S. T.), sell by Public Auction on the premises, the following property:—
All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house and chawls standing thereon, situate lying and being on the Western side of Parel Road without the Fort of Bombay containing by admeasurement 4,900 square yards or thereabouts, registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 143 and 736, New Nos. A/3164, 1/12730, 1/13598, A/1314 and New Survey Nos. 1/3609, 3/3609, 2A/3609, 1A/3609, and in the Books of the Municipality of Bombay under Ward Nos. 7608, (1) 7617, 7618, 7619, 7620, 7621, 7622, 7627, (1) 7650, and Street Nos. (1) 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 14 (1), 348 to 370, and bounded as follows:—On the East by the Parel Road, on the South by Public passage and on the North by the property of Jadavjee. Thobhan and which said premises are now and have been in the occupation of mortgagors and their tenants.
For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the Mortgagees, Attorneys Messrs. Mehta Dalpatram and Lalji at their office in No. 121 Medows Street, Fort, or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY, AT VICTORIA ROAD, BYCULLA, KNOWN AS MUSTAFFA TIMBER AND WOOD MARKET OR NEW TIMBER MARKET.
Under instructions from Manibai, widow and administratrix of the Estate of Lakhmidas Haridas, and Mr. R. D. Sethna, the Receiver of the Estate of Jettia Purshotam appointed in Suit No. 149 of 1902 (Bai Harakh vs. Tribhowandas Pragjee), and the said Manibai and Tribhowandas Pragjee, as administratrix and administrator, respectively, *debonis non* with the will annexed of the estate of Valabhdas Purshotamdas deceased, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th April next, at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.), sell by Public Auction, on the premises the following very valuable landed property:—
FIRSTLY.—All that property which is known as "Mustaffa" Timber Mart or new Timber Mart situate at the junction of Victoria Road, and Mount Road, Byculla, and consisting of all that Government leasehold piece or parcel of land or ground, situate, lying and being on the south side of Victoria Road, Byculla, outside the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 25,234 square yards, or thereabouts, and bounded on or towards the East by the Mount Road, on or towards the West partly by the property of Mr. Karestji Rustomji Kama, and partly by the property next hereinafter secondly described, on or towards the South by the remaining portion of the Government leasehold premises comprised in and secondly described in an Indenture of lease dated the 23rd December, 1909, and held by the Vendors of the Secretary of State for India under the aforesaid lease, and on or towards the North by the said Victoria Road, and which premises are a portion of Government Leasehold piece or parcel of land or ground admeasuring 63,229 square yards or thereabouts comprised in and secondly described in the said Indenture of Lease bearing date the 23rd day of December, 1909, and made between the Secretary of State for India in Council of the one part and Lakhmidas Haridas and Rustomji Dhanjibhai Sethna of the other part and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 97, New No. 16331, Old Survey No. 688, and New Survey No. 3657.
SECONDLY.—All that Government leasehold piece or parcel of land or ground, situate lying and being on the south side of the Victoria Road, at Byculla, containing by admeasurement 3-716 square yards or thereabouts registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 97, New No. 16331, Old Survey No. 688, and New Survey No. 3655, being the hereditaments and premises now held by the Vendors under the said Indenture of lease bearing date the 23rd day of December, 1909, and made between the Secretary of State for India in Council of the one part and Lakhmidas Haridas and R. D. Sethna of the other part, and firstly described therein and bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the North by the Victoria Road aforesaid, on or towards the South and West by the property in the occupation of Kharsetji Rustomji Kama, and on or towards the East by the premises hereinabove firstly described.
The property at present realises Rs. 1,425 per month by way of ground rent.
For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to Messrs. Madhavjee Kamdar and Chottobhoy, Solicitors, to the receiver or to the undersigned.

On SATURDAY, the 24th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.
The property of Mr. J. H. Frere, consisting of dining table, leather lined chairs, sideboard, drawing room suite, sofas, clothes presses, corners, book cases, hatstand, chest of drawers, dressing tables, blackwood carved writing table, solid linen basket, folding teapoys, cane furniture, towel horse, meatsafe, bath tub, etc.
By order of the Bank and on account and risk of the concerned.
3 casks aniline salt.
At 2 p.m. (S. T.).
1 second hand glass fronted miniature office brougham.
1 second hand rubber tyred palanquin office shigram, in good order.
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BENNETT & Co.,
Bombay, 21st March, 1917.

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LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS.

Jamshedi Naoroz (Parsi holiday), Banks closed.

THURSDAY, March 22.

Homeward English Mail will be closed at G. P. O. at 2-30 p.m. Registered letters will be accepted up to 12-30 p.m. and parcels upto 11-30 a.m.

Century Spinning and Manufacturing Company Ltd., Ordinary General Meeting, Gresham Building, Esplanade Road, 10-45 a.m.

Akola and Mid-India Spg., Wg., and Mrg., Company, Ltd., Ordinary General Meeting, Canada Building, 4-0 p.m.

FRIDAY, March 23.

Annual Ordinary General Meetings of the Fazulbhoy Mills; Currimbhoy Mills; Ebrahimbhoy Pabanky Mills; Crescent Mills; Indian Bleaching, Dyeing and Printing Works; and Pearl Mills, Limited Esplanade Road, Fort, from 3-0 p.m.

Standing Committee of the Corporation meets at 3-30 (B. T.).

Commemoration Day of the Founder of the N. M. Wadia Charities, "Jehangir Baug," Parel, 4-0 p.m.

SATURDAY, March 24.

Mails for Laurenzo Marquis and South Africa via Dhanuskodi and Colombo will be closed at the G. P. O. at 7-30 p.m.

Mails for Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, China, Japan and Australia will be closed at the G. P. O. at 2-0 p.m. Parcel mail for China closes at 1-0 p.m.

Annual Prize Distribution of the David Sassoon Industrial and Reformatory Institution, Matunga, at 5 p.m.

DAILY.

Bombay Art Society's Exhibition at the Town Hall.

Eldorado Cinema, Lamington Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-30.

Excelsior Theatre, Bandman Musical Comedy Co., at 9-30 p.m.

Empire Theatre: 6-30, 8-30 and 10-0 p.m.

Royal Opera House: 5-30 and 9-30 p.m.

Palace of Varieties: At 6-30 and 10-0 p. m. ever Wednesday, Saturday and Monday 10-0 p.m. Show every Sunday at 6-30 at Edwardes.

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Domestic Occurrence.

MARRIAGE.

RATNAGAR-ALPAIVALA.—On the 16th March at Albless Bag—Dr. Jehangeer Maneckjee Ratnagar, grandson of Mr. Ruttonjee Cursetjee Wadia, to Meherbai, eldest daughter of Mr. Merwanjee Kaikuscoo Alpaivala, Solicitor, High Court, Bombay.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

March 21.

615 Musketry Competitions.—All Competitions are cancelled until further notice.

616 Machine Gun Courses.—"H" Coy. Class will parade at Prince's Dock Armoury at 5-30 p.m. The Battalion Class will parade at Headquarters at 6-30 p.m. on Wednesday.

619 Parades—

"E" (Cyclist) Coy. Thursdays and Fridays at Headquarters at 6-30 p.m.

Motor Cyclist Section.—On Wednesdays and Fridays at 7-15 a.m. at Headquarters.

"F" Coy. every Monday, at 6-15 p.m. at Headquarters. Dress.—Drill order.

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Adjutant Bombay Volunteer Rifles.

POONA VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

POONA, March 20.

269—Drill and Instruction.—Parades for the week ending 24th March 1917:—

At Headquarters—

Buglers, Wednesday and Saturday, at 5-30 p.m.

270—First Aid Examination.—An examination for First Aid certificates will be held at Headquarters on Thursday, 22nd instant, at 5-30 p.m.

271—Shooting Rules.—All members of the Corps should make themselves acquainted with shooting rules, a copy of which is posted up at Headquarters.

(Sd.) A. R. KEARSEY, 2nd-Lieut.,
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BAND AT THE ESPLANADE.

By kind permission of the Officers, the String Band of the 1st Battalion B. B. & C. I. Railway Volunteers, will play the following programme under the direction of Mr. W. S. Walcott at Esplanade Bandstand this evening commencing at 6-15 p.m.

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ARYA SAMAJ.

A public meeting will be held at the Arya Samaj Hall, Kakadwadi, Girgaon, at 6 p.m. (B. T.), to-day when a religious discussion will be held between Swami Omkar Sachchidanandji and Saraswatidasji on "Avtar Punaravrati" in Marathi.

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VICTORIA MEMORIAL SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

The Principal of the above school writes that the Managing Committee of the Victoria Memorial School for the Blind, Tardeo Road, Bombay, resolved at its meeting held on the 9th of October 1916 that blind girls should be admitted into this school as "day scholars" only.

THE HOME RULE LEAGUE.

The Weekly Class for the study of Indian public questions conducted by Prof. P. K. Telang will meet this evening at 7 p.m. (S. T.) at the Rooms of the Branch, at 251, Hornby Road. Members of the League and other political associations are cordially invited to attend.

MORTALITY IN BOMBAY.

Seventeen attacks and ten deaths occurred yesterday, Umarkhadi Dhobi Talao, Bhuleshwar, Tardeo and Worli reporting one attack each, Khara Talao, Khetwadi, Mazagon and Sewri, one attack and one death each, Tarwadi, two attacks and two deaths, Mahim three attacks and two deaths and Maratha Hospital two deaths. There were three attacks and three deaths form small-pox and no case of cholera. The total mortality from all causes was 93 as against 105 on the corresponding day of last year and 64 on that of 1915.

MILL-HANDS' DEMAND FOR FREE PRIMARY EDUCATION.

Under the auspices of the District Congress Committees in Bombay a mass meeting mostly of mill-hands was held on Sunday the 18th instant at Magan Baug, Lower Parel, to consider the question of free and compulsory primary education in Bombay, when Mr. Haji Usuf Sobani presided. Resolutions were passed asking for additional Municipal day schools and free night schools in the northern part of Bombay and to request the Corporation to arrange to make primary education free and compulsory for boys and girls alike. The principal speakers were Messrs. Keer Nimgavkar, Hejib and Kulkarni. The president in his closing remarks said that the factory hands were hands and feet of mill-owners and by their being literate the mill industry would be greatly benefited. He mentioned the instance of Stephenson, who was a workman and invented steam-engine. The chairman was requested to send a copy of the resolution passed at the meeting to the President of the Corporation for its information.

CART DRIVER'S CRIMINAL BREACH OF TRUST.

ACCUSED ABSCONDS AND ENLISTS IN THE ARMY.

At the Mazagon Police Court, before the Second Presidency Magistrate, Sergeant Bird charged Sakharam Mahadhu, a Hindu, with criminal breach of trust in respect of property valued at Rs. 242 belonging to Messrs. Rogers and Co. It appeared from the evidence that the accused, who was employed as a cart driver by the Company, disposed of thirty boxes and seventy-five dozen bottles and did not account for the same, and ran away with the money. He was traced to Belgaum, where he had enlisted in the Army. He was convicted and sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

THEFT IN A LIQUOR SHOP.

SENTENCES ON FOUR FIREMEN.

At the Mazagon Police Court, before the Fourth Presidency Magistrate, Deputy Inspector Melville charged A. Carrigan, Wm. McCurdy, C. Fox, and John Kelly, all European firemen, with committing theft in a building of seven bottles of whisky, valued at Rs. 28, belonging to Kaikhushru Cowasji Damania. It was alleged that on Saturday last the four accused and another man went to the complainant's liquor shop at Corner of Grant Road and ordered five glasses of liquor. They then went one by one into the water closet and disappeared. The complainant suspected them and went into the water closet, where he found a box of whisky minus seven bottles. He reported the matter to the police, who found the accused in a house of ill-fame. The accused were found lying drunk on the ground and were arrested. The accused pleaded guilty and were sentenced to a fine of Rs. 30 each, in default, one month's rigorous imprisonment each. Out of the fine, if recovered, Rs. 25 were ordered to be paid to the complainant.

CONVICTION FOR THEFT OF A WATCH.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before the Third Presidency Magistrate, Sub-Inspector Achreker charged one Luxman Hanmant with the theft of a watch and Re. 1-2 belonging to one Bagsing Makarsing. It appeared from the evidence that on the 15th instant Bagsing was taking a bath under a water tap in the compound of the Marine Lines War Hospital, when the accused removed the property from his coat which was lying near by. The accused was seized and handed over to the police. He was convicted and as he had seven previous convictions, he was sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment.

HARD LABOUR FOR THEFT OF CLOTHES

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Sub-Inspector L. De Souza charged one Sitaram Gopal with the theft of clothes collectively valued at Rs. 16, belonging to different people. It appeared from the evidence that the accused stole the clothes and pawned them at a Marwari's shop. A complaint was made to the police, who recovered the clothes from the Marwari and arrested the accused. The accused was convicted and sentenced to forty-five days' rigorous imprisonment.

DISOBEYING BOMBAY HARBOUR RULES

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Deputy Inspector Doran charged one Ibrahim Sheik Abdulla with disobeying the rules by navigating his jolly boat in the middle of the Bombay harbour on the 8th of March when Mr. C. H. McDowell had the right of way, and thereby nearly causing a collision. The accused was convicted and sentenced to a fine of Rs. 20.

ALLEGED BURGLARY AND THEFT.

At the Mazagon Police Court, before the Fourth Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Sykes charged Vasudeo Keshow Soma, a Hindu, with burglary and theft of ornaments valued at Rs. 11,678 belonging to Narayan Timbaji Naik, a resident of Khanpur. The accused was arrested in Bombay and property valued at Rs. 7,000 was recovered from him. The Magistrate ordered the accused to be sent to Khanpur for trial, where the alleged offence was committed.

HIGH COURT

APPELLATE SIDE.

CONVICTIONS OF MURDER SET ASIDE.

"VALUE" OF DYING DECLARATION."

(Before Justices Batchelor and Shah.)

Shahu Bapu and three others v. King-Emperor.

These were appeals against the decisions of Mr. W. Baker, the Sessions Judge of Satara, who agreeing with the assessors found the accused guilty of murdering one Joti with stones and sticks and sentenced them to transportation for life under section 302 of the Indian Penal Code.

The facts are briefly these:—The prosecution alleged that there was intimacy between Joti and Bakula, the daughter of accused No. 1 and also that accused No. 2 was on intimate terms with one "Chandra," who was supplanted in his affections by Joti the deceased. It was further alleged that Chandra's mother's lands which were originally let to accused No. 2 had been recently let to Joti which annoyed accused No. 2 and there was quarrel over it.

On the morning of 3rd October, the deceased and his brother Bayaji took their cattle to graze, Joti went to the field called "Langoticha mal" leaving Bayaji in his own field. It was alleged that after some time, the four accused assaulted the deceased here with stones and sticks and that the deceased died within an hour as a consequence of the injuries received by him. The matter was reported to the police patil and the accused were arrested the same evening.

THE JUDGMENT.

His Lordship Justice Batchelor in delivering the judgment observed:—

These were appeals from the judgment of the Sessions Judge of Satara by whom the four appellants had been convicted of the murder of one Joti and had been sentenced to transportation for life.

Accused No. 1 was the father of No. 4 and No. 2 father of No. 3. No. 1 and 2 were separated brothers. In order to examine the propriety of these convictions it was necessary to bear in mind the nature of the Crown Case. The case was that on 3rd October, the deceased left with his brother, Bayaji to go to their fields. While the deceased was passing through Harikaka's field, the four accused who were lying in ambush, attacked the deceased and the deceased was so severely beaten that he died of the shock and injuries received within an hour. It was alleged that when the deceased was beaten he shouted and his brother Bayaji who heard it went to a neighbouring hillock and saw that his brother was being beaten by the four appellants.

ALLEGED DYING DECLARATION.

Bayaji recognized that the victim was his brother and the assailants were the four accused. Bayaji's cries attracted one Babu to the spot, who was in the vicinity and who also recognized the four accused. Babu, however, after seeing what had happened went away. Bayaji went to the village where he met Laxman, to whom he spoke concerning the murder. Then he and Laxman started to the scene of offence and met Genu on the way. In the meanwhile the deceased's wife learnt from the accused's enemy Harikaka that the deceased was killed by the four accused though it does not appear how this information had reached Harikaka. Laxmi found her husband lying injured, who was however alive and it is alleged that he named all the four accused as his assailants to her. There also came Harikaka, Genu, Savalva, Laxman and Bayaji. Bayaji on hearing the names from Joti returned to the village and informed the police patil and the names of the four accused from this hour appear in the reports and informations made from time to time. The accused were arrested the same night at 9-30.

CREDIBILITY OF EYE-WITNESSES.

The success of the Crown Case depended upon the credibility of the Eye-witnesses Bayaji and Babu. In considering whether the story of these witnesses was such as should be accepted by a Criminal Court, the test applicable was to compare, their story with their admitted conduct. It was here that in his Lordship's opinion the witness failed to inspire confidence. As to the course of conduct which Bayaji did in fact pursue the evidence left their Lordships under no misapprehension. That evidence was given by Laxman, the best witness in the case. The examination of Bayaji was in their Lordship's opinion, scanty and perfunctory. What Laxman told them concerning his meeting with Bayaji who on the case for the Crown had seen a few minutes earlier his own brother brutally attacked by the four accused was this. He said "the man is killed, and there had been a fight in the Telki field." The vernacular deposition on this point gave full effect to what the witness actually said. For in the Marathi version, the speach that Laxman ascribed to Bayaji was "*Gadi marla*" i.e. some one or other has been beaten or killed. So in his cross-examination Laxman adds when Bayaji said "the man is beaten" he did not ask him whom he meant, nor did he say that he first learnt the names of the accused from Joti. This seemed to his Lordship to make it fairly clear that when Bayaji ran to the village and called out Laxman to assist him Bayaji knew no more than that some ill defined scuffle had been going on in the field. But this in his Lordship's opinion was not compatible with the theory which Bayaji sought to force upon the Court namely that he with his own eyes had seen not somebody or other but his own brother killed by four particular recognized individuals. The remaining eye witness Babu is in no better case if the foregoing observations are well founded.

On these grounds it seemed to his Lordship that having regard to the proved conduct of the eye-witnesses the story which they told was exposed to so much doubt that the Court would not be justified in acting upon it and if that was so then it was not possible to sustain the convictions.

JOTI AND DYING DECLARATION.

The only other support which could be obtained for the eye-witnesses lay in the alleged dying deposition made by the deceased Joti. There were so many difficulties that the convictions could not be affirmed on that ground. The first difficulty was as to whether the alleged declaration was in fact made. The question of the value of dying declarations in India has often been a matter of comment in Courts of Law. His Lordship then referred to observations upon this point under section 32 in Justice Fields' Law of Evidence in British India and to vol. II. page 84 of Whitley Stokes Anglo-Indian Codes. In the present case most of the disabilities inherent in this kind of evidence were present. The declaration was never made before any Magistrate or Government Officer. It was made only when Joti was surrounded by persons some of whom had a motive for incriminating the accused. Lastly, his Lordship believed that Joti himself rightly or wrongly apprehended injury from the accused and so entertained feelings of hatred and animosity towards them. It was noticeable that all four accused were closely related and even if Joti could have recognized but one or two of his assailants his Lordship saw nothing improbable in the supposition that he would incriminate all four in order to reap a full vengeance.

On the whole the foundation of this case viz., the testimony of the Eye-witnesses it seemed to his Lordship could not be safely relied on and that the conviction could not be confirmed upon such evidence as existed apart from the Eye-witnesses.

CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCES SET ASIDE.

The appeals were therefore allowed and the convictions and sentences set aside and the accused were acquitted and discharged.

Counsel—Mr. S. G. Velinkar with Mr. A. H. Kelkar for accused No. 1 and 4.

Counsel—Mr. Bantista with Mr. Y. N. Nadkarni for accused No. 2 and 3.

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GYMKHANA MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAPS

The following is the result of the match played yesterday in connection with the above tournament:—

Mrs. Reynolds and W. Irvin beat Mrs. Wilson and Griffith, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

The following match will be played to-day:—

Mrs. Kirkwood and Capt. Kirkwood v. Mrs. Cocke and H. G. Cocke.

BOMBAY GUN CLUB.

The fortnightly meeting of the above Club was held at Mahim on Sunday last when some interesting shooting was witnessed.

In the opening Handicap Sweep D. W. Johnstone, A. H. Kingston and C. McBain tied with scores of 8 including handicap but McBain proved an easy winner in the shoot off.

A Spoon shoot followed in which the prize fell to C. R. Perkin who, shoting in excellent form returned a card of 9 kills which with 1 handicap gave him a "Possible." R. Kennedy, C. McBain and A. S. Knowles were close up, tieing for second place with 9 each.

The next event was the monthly shoot for the Sydney Smith Cup, scoring being on the Scotch system. McBain recorded his second win of the morning with a total of 26 points, inclusive of handicap, followed by Kingston with 24 and Fraser with 22 respectively.

The Handicap Cup was then shot for. Fraser, shooting from scratch, with 9 kills to his credit and Kingston with 7 kills and 2 handicap, returning equal scores. On the spin of the coin Kingston annexed the Sweep.

The meeting was brought to a close by a War Loan Shoot in which the first prize was a War Loan Certificate of Rs. 50 the runner-up receiving a Consolation prize of a Certificate for Rs. 10. This event produced some very close shooting and seven competitors were level up to the last round when A. S. Knowles and A. G. Macdonnell placed themselves ahead and tied with scores of 8. The shoot off was also keenly contested, MacDonnell eventually winning by a single point. It is hoped to make these War Loan shoots a regular feature of the meetings so long as the Loan remains open.

AGA KHAN HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

FIRST ROUND.

LUSITANIANS (7) BEAT CHURCH SCHOOL TEAM.

These two teams met in the first round of the above tournament on the Oval on Tuesday when the game resulted in a victory for the Lusitanians by seven goals without a response. In spite of the big margin of defeat the Church School forwards made a few commendable rushes and had hard luck in not reducing the margin by at least two goals. Their defence worked very hard especially Moulton and Fox at backs. For the winners Nelson D'Souza drew first blood and Cyriaco D'Souza scored the second goal. After the interval, the Lusitanians scored five more goals—Cyriaco D'Souza scoring the third and fifth, while Sequiera scored the fourth, sixth and seventh goals.

The teams were:—

Lusitanians:—Bruno; Pais and Dominic; Powell, Newman D'Souza and D'Sa; Marcus D'Souza, Nelson D'Souza, Sequiera, Cyriaco D'Souza and Leo D'Souza.

Church School:—Loveday; Moulton and Fox; White, Ellias and Miranda; Brown, Whitaker, McClumphan, McGill and Sheikh.

HINDU CRICKET.

At the meeting of the representatives of the Bombay Hindu Cricket Clubs convened in September 1916, to consider how to appreciate the services rendered by Messrs. D. B. Deodhar, S. M. Joshi, and C. K. Naidu in the last Quadrangular contest, it was decided to open a subscription list and to present cups to Messrs. D. B. Deodhar and S. M. Joshi and a medal to Mr. C. K. Naidu. The articles are now ready and will be on view at Messrs. G. A. Mithbawker, corner of the Medow's Street, Fort till 30th instant.

DACCA UNIVERSITY SCHEME.

EDUCATION MEMBER'S ASSURANCE.

PANDIT MALAVIYA ON ISLINGTON REPORT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Mar. 20.

A meeting of the Imperial Legislative Council was held this morning Mr. Lowndes, Vice-President presiding. Attendance of visitors was small. Sir K. G. Gupta was present.

Sir Claude Hill laid on the table a statement showing the number of leave and other vacancies that have occurred in the ranks of the Indian Agricultural Service during the last ten years, and the proportion thereof which has been filled by members of the Provincial or Subordinate agricultural services, which was promised in reply to a question asked by the Hon. Maharaja Sir Manindra Chandra Nandi on the 8th February 1917. It should be borne in mind that except in Madras there is as yet no properly organised Provincial Service. Many of the vacancies shewn in the list had to be left unfilled.

After interpellations H. E. the Commander-in-Chief introduced a Bill further to amend Indian Army Act 1911. He explained the object of the Bill was threefold, namely (1) to enable family maintenance be made to dependents of prisoners of war, (2) to confer power of summary court-martial by an Officer Commanding a detachment as enjoyed now by an Officer Commanding a Corps or Detachment and (3) to confer power upon high military authorities of pardon and remission in respect of sentences imposed in trial for civil offences held by court-martial under section 41. He said the changes proposed were of a technical nature. The Bill was taken into consideration after suspension of rules of business, after which the Bill was passed

INDIAN PAPER CURRENCY ACT.

Sir William Meyer introduced the Bill to consolidate the Indian Paper Currency Act and explained that under Ordinance 7 of 1916 power was taken to issue currency notes upto a minimum limit of thirty crores against British Treasury Bills equivalent to value thereto, and held by the Secretary of State. As the Ordinance would expire shortly they would place it on the statute book for the period of war and six months thereafter. He said it was an emergency enactment Bill. Accordingly it was taken into consideration after suspension of rules of business.

Mr. Wacha congratulated the Finance member and said owing to the war the Paper Currency Department was very skilfully administered. The Bill was passed.

On the motion of Mr. J .B. Wood the Bill to validate certain deeds of conveyance and a trust deed relating to certain properties of the late King Wajid Ali Shah was taken into consideration and passed.

TAX ON GOODS CARRIED BY RAILWAYS OR INLAND VESSELS.

Sir Robert Gillan moved the Bill to impose tax on goods carried by railways or inland vessels, and said, a representation had been received from steamer companies pointing out that they were in competition with country boats. Sir Robert indicated that powers of exemptions have been taken and cases will be considered on merits.

Mr. Iyengar advocated that metal carried for District Boards should be exempted, to which Sir Robert Gillan assented.

Rai Sita Nath Roy said that after hearing Sir Robert Gillan he supported the Bill. The Bill was passed.

On motion of Sir Reginald Craddock the Select Committees Report on Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act Amendment Bill was taken into consideration and passed.

PATNA UNIVERSITY BILL.

Sir Sankaran Nair moved that the presentation of the report of the Select Committee on the Patna University Bill be postponed till the first meeting of the Simla session of the Council and that in the meantime leave be given to republish the Bill. He added that the Bill had been modified and improved and the report was unanimous. The motion was put and agreed to.

BILL TO AMEND INDIAN TRUSTS ACT.

Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy, in moving for leave to introduce the Bill to amend the Indian Trust Act 1882, said the acceptance fo the amendment would give a great impetus to co-operation. After outlining briefly the circumstances under which the Bombay Central Co-operative Bank came into existence, he remarked that the fact that the Bank was registered under the Co-operative Societies Act and not under the Indian Companies Act necessitated the introduction of this amending Bill, for under the law as it existed trust moneys could not be invested in debentures though the interest on it might be guaranteed by the Secretary of State if they were issued by a Society registered under Co-operative Societies Act 1912. After pointing out how the Government had already granted certain privileges on co-operative societies, he explained briefly the nature of security that the bank's debentures offered, and remarked that the assets of the bank including share capital deposits and reserve and other funds, were ill pledged for redemption of debentures. The present position was that while the assets were worth twenty lakhs of rupees the debentures issued and subscribed amounted to only Rs. 68,000. Continuing, he said it was presumed when the debentures were first issued that as the interest on them had been guaranteed by the Secretary of State, they would rank as securities sanctioned under Section 20 (c) of the Indian Trusts Act for investment of trust money. Through the influence of the promoters of the Bank practically the whole of the first two issues of debentures of the value of Rs. 630,000 were underwritten before the Bank was floated. But investment in a 4 per cent. non-trustee security was hardly attractive and in spite of their best efforts the Directors of the Bank had found it impossible to make the debentures a marketable security. His friend, Sir Shapurji B. Broacha, the president of the Bombay Stock Brokers' Association, till recently a Director of the Bank, was of opinion that he could not assist in placing the debentures on the market unless they were recognized as securities authorised under Section 20 of the Indian Trusts Act. There was also no doubt that the proposed amendment of the Act was desirable for the purpose of extending the range of safe and profitable investments in the interest of beneficiaries and those who act for them. Such investment had been proposed by several holders of trust funds.

The motion was put and agreed to

MR. MALAVIYA'S BILL POSTPONED.

Pandit Malaviya intimated that he would introduce his Bill to abolish imprisonment and fine as punishments for failure or refusal to fulfil an agreement to work or labour in the September Session of the Council and asked for its postponement. The motion was agreed to.

DACCA UNIVERSITY SCHEME.

Nawab Ali Chaudhuri, in moving his resolution about the establishment of a University at Dacca, said he did not intend to embarrass Government in their earnest desire to improve university education in Bengal. The Education Member's announcement that the Dacca University scheme had been postponed until the report of the Calcutta University Commission was received did not satisfy the people of East Bengal and its indefinite postponement and neglect at the hands of Government impelled him to move the resolution. The people of East Bengal, both Hindus and Mahomedans, keenly felt that the proposed University, which was promised them, had too long been withheld, and the cause of higher education had consequently been given a serious set-back. The speaker clearly understood that there was room for improvement in the Calcutta University, which was much too unwieldy and an affiliating institution at best. The proposed Dacca University was to be residential and a teaching University on the lines of the Oxford and Cambridge Universities, and was to be a model for any future university, and as such was eagerly looked forward to by the people of East Bengal. He then related how the idea was originated by Lord Hardinge after the modification of the Bengal partition and how definite hopes were held out from time to time both by him and Lord Carmichael for its speedy fruition, and how they were backed up by the Government in England. People were made to understand that financial difficulties alone withheld the scheme, which was formulated by a committee of experts and which was commended not only by the Government of Bengal but secured the approval of the Government of India, and in its main features, of the Secretary of State for India. But when they found that this was no obstacle for bringing up the Patna University scheme, they were naturally suspicious that some sinister Calcutta influence was at work. The people of Eastern Bengal strongly felt that they had been sacrificed to the clever manoeuvres of certain sections of the Calcutta University and Calcutta Press.

A POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. B. N. Basu:—Sir, I rise to a point of order. The speaker's language is unparliamentary.

Mr. Lowndes:—I don't know whether it is unparliamentary, but certain latitude might be allowed considering that the Hon. Member is carried away by his feelings in a matter like this.

Nawab Chaudhuri also dwelt on the numbers of university students who came from East Bengal and emphasised that a second University was essential. He concluded his speech by saying that if the proposed university was to be snatched away from them or smothered under Calcutta influences, Government could not be misled to inflict on the education of Eastern Bengal a heavier and more deadly blow. He hoped, therefore, that a Bill might be introduced into the Council at least during the next session.

EDUCATION MEMBER'S ASSURANCE.

Sir Sankaran Nair in reply said the Hon. Member was labouring under some misapprehension and he (Sir Sankaran Nair) arose at this early stage to remove this misapprehension. He said there was no intention on the part of Government to depart from the promises made by Lord Hardinge and no wavering on the part of Government to establish a university at Dacca, and he said really all he had to do was to assure members there has never been any doubt about this University or indeed about the other universities which are before the Council, and though there had been difficulties which have delayed and modified the Dacca scheme, there was no intention whatever to abandon the principle. He explained the alterations and modification which had occasioned opposition and which practically brought the Bills into the list of controversial measures which would have to be postponed during the duration of the war, but only yesterday matters had so far been changed that the Dacca University Bill when republished may be found so generally acceptable, as to be no longer a controversial measure. He referred to the University Commission which was coming to India and said there would be great advantages in postponing the scheme so as to have their schemes investigated by this impartial tribunal, and though there would be no objection on the part of Government to introduce a Bill as amended by the Select Committee, Sir Sankaran Nair thought that as the scheme as introduced would have to be considered by this Commission the question might be postponed till that time.

At the conclusion of Sir Sankaran Nair's speech Nawab Ali Chaudhuri rose to reply to the effect that after the assurance given by the Education Member he would not press the resolution.

Mr. B. N. Basu rose to a point of order and asked whether the debate was going to be confined only to the mover of the resolution and the official member. Certain serious allegations had been made by the mover of the resolution, to which he felt it his duty to reply.

At this stage discussion followed as to the procedure provided by the Rules.

SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT.

Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya then moved the following resolution:—This Council recommends to the Governor-General-in-Council that the Government should not take action on the recommendations of the Royal Commission on the Public Services in India until reasonable opportunity has been given to members of this Council to bring forward such resolutions as they desire on the recommendations contained in the report.

The Pandit began by quoting from the speech of the Viceroy of the 7th ultimo in which he had given a rough outline of the procedure. Government would adopt in dealing with the report and drew attention to the fact that the recommendations covered a wide field and the issues raised demanded urgent attention. He also reminded the Council that it was in pursuance of a resolution of the Council that the Commission was instituted. It was therefore but meet that the Council should have an opportunity to deal with the report before it was finally acted upon. Besides, the larger questions of the policy of the recommendations of the Commission would also involve a large expenditure, recurring and non-recurring. Furthermore, the decisions arrived at now would hold good for a long time. Thus there was a great need why the representatives of the people in the Council should have some opportunity to express their views and this need was further intensified by the war. The Commission was appointed prior to the war, and had reported when the war was on, but it did not seem to be affected by any change in the angle of vision. The problems dealt with by the Commission, had agitated the Indian public for over a generation and it was plain that the results arrived at by the Commission, did not tally with those from the Indian point of view though that had been expressed by Mr. Abdul Rahim and Mr. Chaubal. Pandit Malaviya then dealt with the history of question from 1885 and paid warm tribute to Mr. Dadabhoy Naoroji. Coming to Islington Commission report, he remarked that the very withholding by the Government of the report from publication showed that they entertained certain apprehensions as to the welcome it would receive, and those apprehensions were justified by the utterances on the platform and in the press. Continuing, he said that the Charter Act of 1833 had led the Indians to expect to be treated on a basis of equality with the Europeans. After that, there was the proclamation and that had been followed by utterances to the same effect by the Secretaries of State and Viceroys. Yet, they found in the year of grace 1917, a Commissioner whose report would place Indians in a position in many respects worse than previously.

FAIR PLAY WANTED.

He then discussed at length recommendations of the Commission regarding the police and civil services and declared that what the Indians wanted was fair play. If they failed let them be ruled out, but if they succeeded, let them admitted into service on terms of equality with Europeans, but the recommendations of the Commission were such that no self-respecting Indian could submit to them and they were entirely opposed to the spirit of the Charter Act of 1833 and the Proclamation of 1858. The proposals of the Commission regarding age limit and stay of candidates in England were grossly unjust. That was closing the door against the Indians while it was nominally held that it was open. The Pandit characterised the method adopted to keep down the Indian element as disingenuous. He then dealt with the question of salaries and said that the further increase then, or otherwise incurring additional expenditure, would, in view of the normal poverty of India, be a further burden that she would be called upon to bear in consequence of the war could not be viewed with equanimity. Hence it was necessary that the proposals should be closely scrutinised. Nothing was likely to be lost while much might be gained. In conclusion, he said that on a determination of these questions depended the larger question of self-government.

"DO WHAT YOU MAY, BUT CONSIDER BEFORE YOU DO."

Mr. B. N. Basu in supporting Pandit Malaviya's resolution, said he took the first opportunity to rise so that the mover of the resolution might not make a cowardly attack on others and take shelter behind the unjust ruling of the chair. He knew that his esteemed friend Pandit Malaviya was incapable of any such cowardly behaviour. Yet, he thought he would not wait. Mr. Basu urged that students should pass the Indian Civil Service examination in this country and then be sent to England. Alluding to the recommendations he criticised the reduction of age and curriculum and ended by saying that the Queen's proclamation had been done away with. One example, was enough to clearly demonstrate that the Commissioners' report would not be acceptable in India. Plain speaking they understood and not subterfuge. What was the use of the Commission? He warned the Government to abandon the commission's report and urged that they should consult public opinion. If the commission report was abandoned India would not be sorry. He was sure that if recommendations of the Commission were given effect to, there would be greater discontent, greater irritation in the country. In conclusion Mr. Basu said "Do what you may, but consider before you do."

COUNCIL'S OPINION TO BE EXPRESSED ON POLICY.

Sir Reginald Craddock said he had every sympathy with the desire of certain members of the Council to have this opportunity of discussing the recommendations in the Commission's report, but he said he was not in a position to express any opinion for, or against, the recommendations in the report. He added the recommendations dealt with practically every phase of the Government service and in these circumstances it would be impossible for the Government to accept an omnibus resolution of this character which would hamper the action of the Executive Government but he was prepared to state that no great question of policy would be settled without this Council having its opportunity of expressing its opinion and he hoped the Hon. members would be satisfied with this assurance and he would not insist on the passing of a resolution which would tie the hands of the Executive Government even on quite minor details of administration.

DISAPPOINTING REPORT.

Mr. Jinnah said it was very unfortunate that the report of the Public Services Commission had been published at this juncture. They were utterly disappointed with it. He was glad that the Home Member had given the assurance that principles embodied in the recommendations would be carefully considered.

Mr. Shafi acquiesced in the view of Mr Jinnah.

Pandit Malaviya said if an assurance was given that expenditure regarding recommendations would be withheld he had nothing more to say.

Sir Reginald Craddock said that naturally being a time of war no appreciable expenditure would be incurred.

The resolution was withdrawn and the Council adjourned till to-morrow.

ANSWERS TO INTERPELLATIONS.

DELHI, Mar. 20.

At to-day's meeting of the Council in reply to questions, put by a member, the Government replied:—(A) Satish Chandra De is a State prisoner under regulation of 1818. (B) He has been in confinement since August, 1916. As regards the term of solitary confinement the hon. member is referred to the answer given in this Council on the subject on the 16th February, 1917. (C) and (D) A report was recently received that Satish Chandra was suffering from headache and sleeplessness and that he was under medical treatment. The Government have no further information as to his health at present, but as the hon. member has already been privately informed they have called for a special report about him. (E) Satish Chandra De was a student in the Presidency College, Calcutta. He passed the B.Sc. examination in 1914 and was studying for the M.Sc. examination.

COMMISSIONS FOR INDIANS IN DEFENCE FORCE.

In reply to questions (A) Has the attention of Government been directed to the statement circulated by Reuter's Agency that the Secretary of State for India recently announced in the House of Commons that his Excellency the Viceroy has informed him that the Indians would be eligible for Commissions under the Indian Army Act in the Indian units of the New Indian Force as soon as they qualified themselves? (B) Will the Government be pleased to state what is intended by Commission under the Indian Army Act? Do they include Commissions granted to European British subjects of his Majesty? (C) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the correspondence between the Government of India and the Secretary of State on the subject? The Commander-in-Chief replied (A) The answer is in the affirmative. (B) Commissions under the Indian Army Act are those granted to persons commissioned, gazetted or in pay as officers holding Indian rank in his Majesty's Indian Forces as defined in the Manual of Indian Military Law, page 103. They do not include commissions granted to European British subjects of his Majesty. (C) The answer is in the negative. It would not be in the interest of the public service to do so.

SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT CONFERENCE.

In reply to a question by Mr. V. S. Sastri, Sir Reginald Craddock said that the Government were not prepared to give an undertaking that publicity should be given to records of conferences that were intended to be held in connection with the Public Service Commission Report.

Official and Personal.

H. H. the Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda has arrived in Bombay and is staying at the Taj Mahal Hotel.

The Syndicate of the Punjab University has recommended that the degree of Doctor of Laws *honoris causa* be conferred upon Lord Chelmsford on the occasion of his visit to Lahore.

LORD MONTAGU'S LECTURE ON "AVIATION."

Lord Montagu of Beaulieu arrived at Government House yesterday and has promised Lady Willingdon to give a lecture on "Aviation" in aid of the Women's Branch Bombay Presidency War and Relief Fund. His Excellency is taking the chair at 6 p.m. on Friday next the 23rd at the Excelsior Theatre. It will be remembered that Lord Montagu was one of the few survivors, when the P. and O. s.s. Persia was torpedoed in the Mediterranean at the beginning of last year.

ALL INDIA CONGRESS COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the All-India Congress Committee will be held at 3 p.m. on the 7th April next in the Indian Association Rooms 62, Bow Bazaar Street, Calcutta.

The total subscriptions to the Indian War Loan in the United Provinces up to the 20th instant, amount to over seven lakhs.

A serious boat accident is reported to have taken place on the Ganges near Rasulabad in the Allahabad District. A boat carrying a large number of men, women and children capsized and nearly all were drowned. About fifty seven bodies have been recovered up to date.

MEDICAL CONFERENCE

PREVENTION OF VENEREAL DISEASES.

PROPOSED LEAGUE IN BOMBAY.

The adjourned meeting of the Medical Conference regarding venereal diseases was held yesterday at the Sanitary Institute, The Hon. Mr. Curtis opened the meeting by referring to the Report of the Royal Commission and drawing the attention of the Conference to the fact that there has been some misunderstanding with regard to the word "Control". The "Control" proposed was voluntary and not compulsory.

Dr. Turner read a letter from the Hon. Surgeon-General Lyons regretting his unavoidable absence. He supported the Resolutions.

"That in view of the great prevalence of Venereal Diseases in Bombay and of their grave consequences, this Conference of Medical Men assembled is of opinion that the time has come when the public and the State should be roused to the gravity of the situation, and induced to take measures to prevent them.

"That a League for combating Venereal diseases of medical and laymen be formed to educate public opinion and to devise and assist in carrying out all such measures as are calculated to prevent the spread of these diseases and that a provisional Committee consisting of the following gentlemen (with powers to add) be formed to take the necessary steps for the formation of such a League:—

Colls. Street, Jackson; Majors Liston, L. T. R. Hutchinson; Dr. Sir Temulji B. Nariman; Drs. Sorab Nariman, Powell, Rajaballi Patel, Surveyor, Masina, Judah, Dubash, Turner, Chokse, Hon. Dr. Fernandes Drs. D'Souza, Joshi, Katrak, Mrs. D'monte, Bhajekar, Gilder, Deshmukh Kapadia, Shroff, Dr. D'Monte and the Medical Officers in charge of the G. T. and Cama Hospitals.

Dr. J. A. Turner then proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman, which was passed. The Conference then came to an end.

THE COLLEGE OF COMMERCE

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "CHRONICLE."

Sir,—Your correspondent "Commerce", at the end of a longish letter on the subject of the Sydenham College of Commerce and Economics sums up his position by contending that "on four points at least the organization of the College needs consideration".

1. First, he says, "the College costs about Rs. 87,000 a year, all public money."

Now it so happens that the finances of the College were carefully gone into last August by a Sub-Committee of the Advisory Board, which, after three special meetings, presented to the Board a detailed statement of income and expenditure. From this, combined with a supplementary statement submitted by the Principal to the Board last month, it is shown that for the year 1916-17, out of the total cost of the College, including the Hostel, only Rs. 23,500 represents "public money" or a subsidy from Government. And as a matter of fact there have since been some further savings of over Rs. 1,200. Moreover, since the building fund has not yet been used for the purpose for which it was collected, the huge sum of Rs. 14,400 for rent appears on the expenditure side, whereas in the case of other Colleges no such item enters into account at all. I would ask our readers to compare these authentic figures with the Rs. 87,000, *"all public money"*, of your correspondent, and to judge by the utter recklessness of the latter's statement by what methods and in what spirit the College is attacked.

2. His second "point" is that "half the staff is temporary and part-time", and that "such men can have no interest in their subjects".

The students of the College, who know from daily experience with what keenness and enthusiasm they are taught by men like Mr. S. S. Engineer, Principal S. R. Davar, Mr. M. J. Antia, and Prof. K. T. Shah, or who recall the inspiring work of Mr. N. M. Muzumdar in the past,—will, I imagine, have read with no little amazement that "such men can have no interest in their subjects". At the same time it is true enough that for the greater part of the courses that make up the curriculum,—especially those that come under the generic head of Economics,—it is desirable to have whole-time men: not to be sure in order that they may pile up lectures, but chiefly in order that the College may have a claim on their time for the *advancement* as contrasted with the mere *imparting*, of knowledge. This has always been fully recognized. The difficulty about making the majority of the appointments whole-time ones has hitherto lain in the inadequate financial provision of the original scheme, which still determines the four definitely sanctioned posts. But the whole matter is at this very moment before Government; and the answer to your correspondent's query "When will the College have a permanent staff?" is: "as soon as the rather complicated issues involved can be satisfactorily settled."

Incidentally it might be added that for certain "professional" subjects such as "Accounting" and "Mercantile Law" it will probably always be advantageous to have part-time lecturers, who are practising Accountants or Lawyers. The gratuitous assumption that "such men can have no interest in their subjects" is refuted by the evidence of fact.

3. Your correspondent's third "point" is that "the College is governed by an Advisory Board which is only a cipher to the Principal who is all-in-all"; and he plaintively asks if this "is proper".

The notion that men like the Hon. Mr. Wardlaw Milne, Mr. Haig Brown, Mr. N. Wadia, The Hon. Mr. D. E. Wacha and the Hon. Mr. Munmohandas Ramji, representatives on the Board of the great mercantile associations of Bombay—together with the other members such as Mr. R. Aitken, Mr. H. G. Cocke, Mr. Mellor, and the Director of Public Instruction,—are merely "ciphers", ignored or disregarded by a Machiavelian Principal, is decidedly amusing. The more so when it is borne in mind that the Board has met no less than four times in the last nine months,—apart from the Special Committee above referred to; that all the affairs of the College are laid before it in detailed reports and keenly discussed; and that many of the members keep in the most intimate touch with the College by means of personal visits and correspondence. The allegation is, I repeat, not merely wide of the mark, like the other, but quite peculiarly ludicrous.

4. In conclusion your correspondent mentions that "the Industries Commission seems to lay much stress on the value of a commercial education", and he adds "Is it given so well?"

So well as what? If it is intended to convey that the College has so far not been able to reach, as regards either the scope or the efficiency of its work, the high level achieved by the great European institutions on which it is modelled, the implication is equally correct and pointless. If on the other hand the charge is that the results of commercial education as given at Sydenham College are unsatisfactory in a positive sense then I venture to think your correspondent should, in lieu of vague insinuation, produce some concrete evidence and lay it before those competent to investigate the matter.—Yours, etc.

EQUITY.

March 20th 1917.

THE WAR LOAN.

TOTAL UP TO MAR. 19.

NEARLY 300 LAKHS.

The following are the progressive totals of subscriptions to Indian War Loan, up to and including March 19th:—

Bengal (including Calcutta) ..	1,51,93,700
Bombay ..	90,45,900
Madras ..	6,78,800
United Provinces ..	7,04,900
Punjab	18,67,500
Burma	8,42,600
Bihar and Orissa ..	40,000
Central Provinces ..	2,51,400
Assam	33,300
Minor Administrations..	1,09,700
Total ..	2,87,67,800

THE FAMOUS SISTERS OF LORD FRENCH.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—Your readers may be interested to know that Western women are sharing the rigors, the risks, and the horrors of the battle-fields fully as bravely as their brothers. Many lady nurses have died of overwork or disease contracted at the base hospitals; others have perished in bombardments, or in doing Ambulance work; and the latest evidence which brings the self-sacrifice of noble women forcibly to our minds is the tragic death at the Salonica front of Mrs. Harley, one of the sisters of Lord French, better known as Sir John French, recent commander-in-chief of the British Expeditionary Force in France. Just as Kaikeya acted as charioteer to Dasarathi and saved his life by her driving when he fell unconscious, so Mrs. Harley was acting as chaffeur (driver) of a big Ambulance motor, taking wounded soldiers to Hospital from the battle-field, when she was struck dead by an enemy's shell. She deserves a Victoria Cross as certainly as many of her fallen brothers, but in recognition even of bravery sex is held as a disqualification—a fact which Mrs. Harley had sought to reform when before the war she worked as a keen suffragette. Lord French's elder sister, Mrs. Despard, is also a famous woman, foremost in all causes which work for liberty and equality. Madras students entering for the VI form or Matriculation public examination will have found her name mentioned in their text-book "Heroes and Heroic Deeds of the Great War" as the president of the 'Women's Freedom League.' The object of this League is "to secure for women the Parliamentary vote as it is or may be granted to men; to use the power thus obtained to establish equality of rights and opportunities between the sexes and to promote the social and industrial well-being of the community."

In prosecuting this object Mrs. Despard has thrice been imprisoned for insisting on the right of free speech and for going on a deputation to the Prime Minister. This noble aristocratic lady bore the degradation of wearing common convict clothes branded with broad arrows and shared in the misrepresentation of Lord Curzon's charge that suffregette's acted 'like howling dewshes' In life and in death these two splendid old ladies have, to all who knew them personally or to whom facts were truthfully reported, proved themselves as patriotic as daring, as self-sacrificing as their soldier brothers, and they are exactly typical of all the much maligned suffragettes whose courage could not be valued at its true worth by the male public when it was used in seeking justice for women. This war has given the opportunity for their characters to be seen in their true light.

Yours, faithfully,

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.

Wednesday, March 21, 1917.

AGRICULTURE AND INDIA'S FUTURE.

It is a commonplace that India, though preeminently an agricultural country, does not utilize her industry efficiently and adequately. The returns are naturally very poor. The real remedy for this state of things must be based on the recognition of the fact that there is a direct relation between the spread of education and the economic prosperity of the ryot. Side by side with the bringing of education to the very doors of the agriculturist, the object to be aimed at should be to raise the standard of productivity of the soil with a view to enable the agriculturist to rise above the manifold cares of his daily life and devote some attention to the education of his children. Education is the root-problem. The strengthening of the economic fibre of the agriculturist also, however, cannot long be delayed if the material prosperity of the country is to be secured. To achieve this end, cultural methods need principally to be improved,—a remedy the successful adoption of which is insured by the fact that the Indian agriculturist, as a rule, is always ready to realise the importance and possibilities of new and improved methods if he is properly approached.

In the various provinces a great deal in this direction is being done by the Departments of Agriculture, but the work done does not go far enough. At the last meeting of the Imperial Legislative Council, Sir Claude Hill, the Revenue Member, announced that the Government of India would shortly issue a publication explaining the various activities of the Government in promoting and improving agriculture and defended the Board of Agriculture against the criticisms that have been made against it, by pointing especially to the increased profits in wheat and cotton as a result of the scientific investigations that have been so far carried out by the Board. There is no question that the introduction of better varieties of crops and better methods of cultivation has been responsible for considerable improvement in the yield of agriculture. The success of the famous Pusa wheat No. 12 is a case in point. But the very success attained so far in this direction merely serves to emphasise how urgent, from every point of national efficiency, is the necessity of measures that would increase the outturn of crops in the country and by thus enhancing its productive capacity enable the country to bear the burden which a due exercise of her rightful part in the larger life of a liberated world will soon entail. The average outturn of rice, for instance, is very poor as compared with that in other countries such as Italy and Spain, though the area on which it is grown is as large as that of the United Kingdom. The wheat crops do not yield even a third of what they do in other countries while, compared with Java, the average yield of sugar cane crop is only one-fourth. While therefore, on the one hand the possibilities of improvement are immense, the activities of the various provincial Agricultural Departments, on the other hand, do not go far enough, partly as a result of inadequate financial help from the local governments concerned and partly of imperfect organization.

Under these circumstances any small step in advance becomes all the more welcome. The latest annual report of the Department of Agriculture in this Presidency for instance, contains the record of some useful work and substantial progress in this direction. The production and introduction of improved cotton-seed and sugar cane operations occupied the chief attention of the Department during the year under report. Steady progress, according to the Government Resolution, continued to be made in the first of these, while the latter developed rapidly and successfully. The experiment started in the previous year in the Surat District of putting out improved cotton seed in a group of villages and of ginning and selling the produce under the supervision and control of a committee consisting of the Divisional Inspector and representatives of the cotton growers was continued and extended. The gain to the cultivators though appreciable is hardly sufficient to impress them greatly, especially as the arrangements for the marketting of this cotton are not adequate. Nevertheless, the experiment is a very promising one and we trust that the Department will not spare pains in ensuring a higher margin of profit by a continued process of seed selection, a result which, as the Director of Agriculture points out, is quite possible. More noteworthy, however, is the success secured in regard to sugar cane operations. On the Government farm at Manjri heavy yields and a net profit of Rs. 494 per acre were obtained not by lavish methods, but by methods considerably more economical than those of the ordinary canal cultivator. The more encouraging fact, however, is that the economical Manjri methods of cultivation have found favour with cultivators as evidenced by the fact that during the year the system was adopted by cultivators over some thousand acres. "The results of the Manjri Farm," says Mr. Keatinge, the Director of Agriculture, "leave no doubt in my mind that from the physical point of view the Deccan is as well favoured as any part of the world for the establishment of a profitable sugar industry." Not the least important of this special work of which an interesting account is given in the Report was the formation of a Cane Growers' Association and the holding of an agricultural show. There are yet, as the Director says, many problems which have to be worked out for the Godavri tract. With the establishment of the permanent sugar cane farm and additional trained staff that are foreshadowed in the Report and the development of the co-operative movement, which is being pushed forward in that tract, it may be hoped that progress will be still more rapid than it has been.

Notes of the Day.

Wake Up Bombay!

Calcutta people are making a great boast of being ahead of Bombay in the War Loan subscription. Here is a typical heading from a Calcutta contemporary:—

WAR LOAN RISING.

CALCUTTA HEADS THE LIST.

Bombay Left Behind.

It is early as yet to boast. The subscription is only in its early stages. But we trust that Bombay will note that Calcutta means to make the most of the occasion if she can keep up the lead to the end. Bombay must be on her mettle.

The German Retirement.

The German attempts to explain their great retirement on the Western Front as a long since pre-arranged operation which they are carrying out at their own leisure, are too thin to wash. We referred yesterday to the Imperial Chancellor's recent boast that the "Western Front still stands." That boast was made with the object of endeavouring to impress upon neutrals that the Somme offensive of last Autumn had failed and that all efforts to make any impression on the German line were doomed to failure. That indeed has been the burden of German comment for the last six months. Are we to suppose that if the Germans had been so secure in their positions they would have voluntarily embarked on a withdrawal on such a grand scale as to change not only the whole position in the West, but also the character of the warfare. That the present withdrawal is voluntary in the sense that the Germans made up their own minds that the line would no longer hold, is clear. But that it was enforced by continuous pressure, the capture of position after position of strategical or tactical importance, and the growing superiority of the Allies, is equally undoubted. The withdrawal is an admission of defeat, and if any advantage is gained, in the sense of postponing the ultimate debacle, by shortening the line, it can only be of a temporary character. But will they succeed in establishing a new line.

The Naval Engagement.

There seems to be no method in the German naval madness. After the futility of fugitive raids,—from the war point of view,—has been so abundantly demonstrated, the Germans still persist in attacking English watering places under cover of darkness and in breathless haste. In their latest adventure they appear to have had more luck than on previous occasions. According to the Admiralty announcement the enemy destroyers after shelling Ramsgate, and while escaping in the darkness were engaged by and torpedoed one of our destroyers. A second British destroyer was torpedoed while picking up survivors, without being seriously damaged. In the case of the first one, however, unfortunately all the officers were drowned, there being only eight survivors. Overmatched as the British destroyer was, she returned fire with torpedoes and guns which must have inflicted damage on the enemy although, apparently, not to the extent of sinking any of the destroyers. This sort of outrage gives satisfaction to the Huns in inverss ratio to its actual usefulness, and is usually followed by exaggerated jubilation in the "Fatherland" to the accompaniment of a shower of Iron Crosses. But it does not stave off the ultimate defeat.

The New French Cabinet.

The announcement that the resignation of M. Briand's Government was due to personal jealousies in the Cabinet, and does not represent any change of public opinion in France is borne out by the fact that no less than six out of the nine new ministers mentioned in to-day's telegrams were also in the old Cabinet. The change of personnel is therefore very slight. Among the men who take the same portfolios that they held in M. Briand's Cabinet are Admiral Lacaze, Minister of Marine, M. Malvy, Minister of the Interior, M. Thomas, Minister of Munitions and M. Clementel, Minister of Commerce. M. Thierry the new Minister of Finance of Finance in the late Cabinet. M. Painlevé, who now becomes War Minister was previously Minister for Education. M. Bourgeois the new Minister of Labour was also a member of the late ministry. M. Thierry the new Minister of Finance was formerly Under-Secretary for Commissariat, a post created since the war.

India and Australia.

The decision of the Commonwealth of Australia to depute a representative to India on a mission to enquire into the question of closer trade relations between the two countries should be welcomed if it is an expression of a new angle of vision in regard to India, and not a purely commercial move. There is almost unlimited opportunity for inter-imperial commercial consolidation between the Self-Governing Dominions and India, but it must develop in the future on less one-sided lines than has been the case in the past. The decision in regard to the cotton import duties should mark the beginning of a new era of Indian commercial enterprise and expansion in which the other parts of the Empire may well participate, but its basis will have to be equity and not exploitation.

War Expenditure.

Mr. Bonar Law stated in the House of Commons that the national expenditure from April 1st to March 31st represented an average of 6 millions a day. He calculated the nominal total of national debt on March 31st to be approximately £3,900 millions. The debt due to Britain by the Allies and the Dominions on the head of war advances he reckoned approximately at £964 millions. These figures have a very special interest at the present time, and should stimulate the success of the Indian War Loan.

Patience and Pathos.

The Americo-German crisis still hangs fire. After the endless alarms and excursions to which the world at large has been treated, its patience by now must be pretty nearly exhausted. President Wilson's Government is still apparently luxuriating in pathetic indecision,—or is it unpreparation? Three American merchantmen are officially admitted to have been ruthlessly submarined, with the result that—it is "unofficially" admitted that a state of war "virtually" exists between America and Germany, although "technically" the United States remains in a position of "armed neutrality." All this is a veritable orgy of doctrinaire dialectics. "An address requesting the authority to adopt aggressive measures," "the next move," and "added seriousness of the situation"—are some of the phrases that are to be found in Reuter's despatch from Washington describing the situation. How much longer this nerve-racking farce is going to be kept up remains to be seen.

Manuscript Eloquence.

Mr. Wacha's resolution at the meeting of the Imperial Legislative Council today that "the rules relating to the discussion of all classes of business in the Council be so amended as to preclude the reading of speeches, except in the case of members introducing a bill or resolution or by special permission of the president" should be welcomed. The change proposed is not the least important and urgent of the reforms that the rules relating to the conduct of business in the Imperial Legislative Council call for. It will go far, for one thing, to remove the atmosphere of dulness that pervades the Council, as well as assist the speedy dispatch of business. The proposed procedure, moreover, will have the effect, of bringing the Council into line, in this respect, with legislative assemblies all over the world. Not the least beneficial result of the rule, however, will be that, it will tend automatically to the disappearance from the Council chamber of many ornamental figure-heads whose struggles to spell out long speeches,—obviously not the result of their own unaided efforts, are as exasperating as they are pathetic. It may be that not a few of the honourable members who think fit to inflict manuscript orations on their colleagues are very able or estimable persons in their own way, but the Council chamber, where, above all, not merely the power of expressing one's thoughts clearly, intelligently and forcibly but also the gift of ready and effective debate are the chief and essential requisites,—is not the best place for the exercise of their talents.

Restriction on Emigration.

The proclamation issued by the Government of India the other day prohibiting labour emigration, synchronises, according to Ceylon papers, with the intention of the Ceylon authorities to reduce immigration to a minimum, in view of the fact that the exports of tea and other plantation products from the Island will fall considerably during the next few months, and that, in consequence, a smaller area will require to be dealt with by agricultural labour. One resut of the restriction on emigrants from India will be that the planters will have to fall back on indigenous labour and this, the "Ceylonese" says, will mean a larger expenditure on the part of the planter to help him maintain efficiency in his business. Not the least unworthy feature of the labour scandal, so far as the Indian emigrant is concerned, is the manner in which the labour of the latter is exploited to undersell the local labourer. While the ruling rates of wages for local labour are, according to the "Ceylonese" 50 cents. a day for a man, 35 for a woman and 25 for a boy or girl,—and local labour is not plentiful even at these prices,—the Indian labourer of these descriptions earns respectively only 33 to 34, 25, and 18 to 20 cents. a day.

The Best Answer to Submarinism.

Perhaps the best answer to any timidity about the German submarine campaign, says the "Westminister Gazette," is provided by the Board of Trade returns. The figures for January are amazingly good. Not only are the imports the highest on record for a single month, but the exports show an increase in value of more than ten millions sterling, as compared with January of last year. When all allowance is made for increased prices and for heavy freights and insurance, which are reflected in the values returned, we have in these figures the evidence of an immense traffic on the sea, a constant going to and fro of ships engaged in purely mercantile operations which makes an impressive spectacle. There is the biggest margin for loss before we could be reduced to any condition of serious stress. But these trade figures, adds our contemporary, have a significance beyond the amount of goods actually carried. They are the evidence to all the world that we have the means to carry on, and that, large as are the commitments of ourselves and our Allies, we shall be able to meet all our financial obligations.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE ON RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

CONFIDENT OF CLOSER COOPERATION BETWEEN RUSSIANS AND ALLIES

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, March 19.
Recd. 4-15 p.m., Mar. 20.

Replying to Mr. Asquith in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Lloyd George said that owing to the dramatic suddeness of events in Russia it was impossible at present to give a detailed account of what he believed would prove a landmark in the history of the world.

After relating amid cheers the events leading to the formation of the Provisional Government, Mr. Lloyd George said:—As far as our information goes the new Government has received the support of both the country as a whole and the Army and the Navy. Our information, however, does not enable us to say that all danger is over. It is satisfactory to know that the new Government is formed with the express purpose of carrying on the war with increased vigour. (Cheers.)

The Imperial Government, he continued, was confident that the Russian people would find that liberty was compatible with order even in revolutionary times and that free peoples were the best defenders of their own honour.

The Premier added:—The Imperial Government is confident that the events, marking a world epoch and the first great triumph of the principles for which we entered the war, will not result in confusion or slackening in the conduct of war, but in a closer and more effective cooperation between the Russian people and the Allies in the cause of human freedom. (Cheers.) Government proposed to put down a motion on that subject for the 22nd instant.

RUSSIAN GENERALISSIMO.

NOT TO BE CONNECTED WITH ROMANOFF HOUSE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, March 20.
Recd. 0-25 a.m., March 21.

The Petrograd correspondent of "The Times" says that the Provisional Government has decided that it is necessary to appoint as Generalissimo, a person not connected with the Romanoff House.

PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT'S MANIFESTO.

FOREIGN ALLIANCES AND AGREEMENTS TO BE OBSERVED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

PETROGRAD, March 20.
Recd. 7-45 p.m., March 20.

The Provisional Government in a manifesto to the citizens, proclaims that the *coup d'etat* has set the keystone upon the long years of struggle and recalls the promise of constitutional liberties in 1905 and traces the subsequent withdrawal of rights granted till the country had relapsed into the abyss of absolute rule and administrative arbitrations and the country found itself faced with a power steeped in vice and infamy.

The manifesto says the Government undertakes to provide to the utmost what is necessary to bring the war to a victorious conclusion and declares its intention of observing foreign alliances and agreements.

FALL OF BAPAUME.

REJOICINGS IN CALCUTTA.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Mar. 20.

The fall of Bapaume was celebrated in Calcutta yesterday, flags flowing from all Government buildings, Banks, Mercantile, and trades firms and a good many private houses.

DUTCH STEAMER ATTACKED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

STAVANGER, March 20.
Recd. 0-25 a.m., March 21.

The Dutch steamer Selien, Rotterdam for New York in ballast, which was flying relief flag, reports that she was attacked by a submarine.

The boat was lowered containing eight men and all were killed. Selien proceeded at full speed and escaped.

SCRAPS OF PAPER.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

AMSTERDAM, March 20.
Recd. 0-25 a.m., March 21.

Two of the five Belgian relief vessels provided with German safe-conducts have been shelled by a German submarine. Seven men were killed.

NAVAL EXPENDITURE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, March 20.
Recd. 0-25 a.m., March 21.

The naval expenditure in 1915-16 amounted to 211 millions.

On Sunday two European gentlemen residing at Lee Road, Calcutta, were firing at a target put up for the occasion in their compound with a small rifle, when one of the spent bullets struck a window of the house of the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kerr, Chief Secretary to Bengal Government. Fortunately no one was injured. Last week the Hon. Mr. Lang, Commissioner, Presidency Division, had a similar experience.

GERMANS' RAPID RETREAT.

FRENCH OCCUPATION OF GUISCARD.

RUSSIANS CAPTURE HARUNABAD.

ENEMY ORDERLY RETIREMENT.

DEVELOPED INTO RAPID RETREAT.

CLEARED OF 200 SQUARE MILES.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, March 19.
Recd. 7-45 p.m., March 20.

Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters in despatch sent this evening, opens with references to the unaccustomed sight of cavalry patrols skirmishing with small parties of Uhlans and of batteries of artillery constantly galloping cross-country and taking up new positions covering the enemy's retreat.

The operations to-day were carried on beneath a dark sky and in a gale of wind. During the past 48 hours the British have pushed the Germans off something like two hundred square miles and the intended orderly retirement has developed into a rapid retreat. Patrols are fighting the rearguards all the way and on some occasions driving them closely in on the main forces. It is abundantly clear that the Germans are considerably mauled as they go.

STRIKING ILLUSTRATION OF RAPIDITY OF ADVANCE.

The British front from Arras to Nesle has now lost the character of a defence line and has streamed forward in the elusive contour of open warfare. The most striking illustration of the rapidity of the advance during the past two days is the fact that patrols have got astride the railway and the road between Arras and Bapaume in various places without encountering any resistance. The great Letransloy-Heburterne-Arras salient has disappeared. The railway and road are much damaged, but communication can be quickly restored. The correspondent quotes the interesting fact that we are now practically holding the line which Joffre chose in the attempted unsuccessful French stand during the great retreat. The fewness of snipers, machine-gun teams and explosive traps, testifies to the breaking down of obstructive tactics owing to the mobility of the advance.

INVALUABLE SERVICE OF AIRMEN.

Airmen have been rendering invaluable service notwithstanding frantic counter-efforts to restrict observation. Aeroplanes have been swooping down to within close range of the Uhlans and emptying drums of their Lewis guns into the horsemen.

Bapaume and Peronne were largely gutted and evidence is accumulating of poisoning and sullying of water supplies, but purification is comparatively simple business.

GERMANS FALL BACK BEHIND HENDECOURT.

The latest news shows that the Arras-Peronne front is swinging round to-day like the alteration in the hands of a clock from five to four thirty. The Germans have fallen back behind Hendecourt nearly ten miles south-east of Arras and only two miles from the main road to Cambrai.

One significant episode in the retreat was that before Nesle, was evacuated the soldiers begged the inhabitants for victuals saying that they were absolutely foodless.

FORTY MORE VILLAGES TAKEN.

PURSUIT OF ENEMY CONTINUED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 20.
Recd. 7-45 p.m., March 20.

Field-Marshal Haig last night reported:—The pursuit had continued. Our cavalry and advanced guards have been driving back rearguards. The ground has been gained to a depth of two to eight miles. Forty more villages have been taken.

Our trenches were raided in the neighbourhoods of Loos and Ypres and a few British are missing.

Our aeroplanes co-operating with infantry, performed much valuable work.

PREPARATIONS FOR FURTHER RETREAT.

SYSTEMATIC DESTRUCTION OF EVACUATED VILLAGES.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, March 19.
Recd. 7-45 p.m., March 20.

Reuter's correspondent at French Headquarters telegraphing to-day, says:—The enemy has been falling back more rapidly before the French than before the British. All roads behind the fleeing foe are closely packed day and night with transport columns and guns, while everywhere on the horizon smoke clouds tell of preparations for further retreat. The destruction is proceeding systematically. For example, at the village of Candor the enemy burned the farms and waggons and destroyed machinery and everything useful.

They also carried off boys approaching military age, besides the Mayor and Deputy-Mayor. Previously, they had not only seized all the people's produce, but the supplies of American Relief Commission and had been forcing everybody to work in return for three-quarters of a pound of bread daily.

A GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 19.
Recd. 7-45 p.m., March 20.

A wireless German official communiqué says:—Our evacuation of the tract between Arras and the Aisne was prepared long ago and carried out without disturbance by the hesitating pursuing enemy. We destroyed traffic establishments in the evacuated regions and provided five days' food for the population left behind.

BRITISH ADVANCE.

ON HEELS OF RETREATING ENEMY.

MAIN ENEMY FORCES DECLINE ACTION.

GERMANS OFF ARRAS-BAPAUME SALIENT.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 8 a.m., Mar. 20.

Reuters correspondent at Headquarters, wiring to-day, says we continue to press hard on the heels of the retreating enemy. Our reconnoitring patrols, of whom we have a considerable force, are frequently meeting the Uhlans who are covering the rearguard. The result is much brisk fighting, but the main enemy forces decline acttion. Whatever the enemy's tactical scheme may be it is certain that we have forestalled him and are hustling him to a degree he did not anticipate. The weather is still dry and favourable for open fighting.

Every German movement is being watched with cat-like vigilance and all along the line we are prepared to pounce. Our patrols have crossed the Arras-Bapaume road and the railway at many points, and although we cannot yet claim to dominate these important roads, the Germans are certainly off them. In other words, the great salient has practically gone.

PROABLE STAND OF GERMANS.

"LOSS OF CAMBRAI WOULD BE A SERIOUS BLOW".

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 20.
Recd. 0-25 a.m., Mar. 21.

The question as to where the Germans will make a stand against their pursuers is still unsolved but indications seem to point to the line covering Cambrai, St. Quentin, Lafere and Laon. Cambrai is the centre of distribution for a wide district well equipped with factories and warehouses. It is also a great railway junction of six lines equipped for heaviest traffic while numerous roads meet in the town. The loss of Cambrai would be a serious blow affecting even the German forces at Lille and Ypres, as it would not only cut the great feeder line from Cologne through Maubeuge but likewise sever the line of Metz-Sedan-Lille-Ostende running parallel to the old front.

Bapaume Ridge was the last natural obstacle covering Cambrai, and miles of level agricultural country offering no marked military position, now face the British. But this does not imply that fortifications do not exist.

St. Quentin, likewise, stands on one of the main arteries of Europe. A large canal traffic besides the railway links the Champagne front with the north-west and the whole district is a veritable network of railways.

EMPLOYMENT OF PRISONERS NEAR FIRING LINE.

RETALIATION FOR GERMAN THREAT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 4-15 p.m., Mar. 20.

Mr. Hope announced that if the Germans carried out their threat to employ prisoners near the firing line, the Imperial Government would immediately decide on appropriate action. (Cheers).

ALL BUT MILITARY CENSORSHIP SUPPRESSED.

A COMMITTEE OF ART AND LETTERS APPOINTED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PETROGRAD, Mar. 19.
Recd. 1 p.m., Mar. 20.

The Government has suppressed all censorship except military censorship. A committee of arts and letters, presided over by Maxim Gorky has been formed to ensure the safeguarding of palaces and artistic property.

FRESH RUSSIAN SUCCESS IN PERSIA

HARUNABAD OCCUPIED.

TURKS DISLODGED FROM BANA.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 2-30 p.m. Mar. 20.

A wireless Russian communiqué says we dislodged Turks from a number of positions southward of Bana, the enemy retiring towards Pendshevin.

We occupied Harunabad, south-west of Kermanshah.

ADVANCE BEYOND HAM AND CHAUNY.

ABOUT 20 VILLAGES AND TOWNS LIBERATED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 20.
Recd. 5-20 p.m., March 20.

Last night's French communiqué said:—During the day our troops advanced beyond Ham on the Somme and Chauny on the Oise. We hold numerous localities between both. Our cavalry operating several kilometres north of Ham, captured a convoy retiring in the direction of St. Quentin. Our advance at this point has attained a depth of 35 kilometres.

Our detachments south of Chauny have reached the line Aidette-Soissons, which has been entirely relieved of enemy pressure. North-east of Crouy our advanced elements progressed along the Maubeuge road. About twenty villages and small towns have been liberated during the day.

Before retiring the enemy laid waste the country. Fruit trees were cut down and torn up by roots, fields destroyed by mines, roads and bridges demolished and numerous villages incinerated. The shelterless and starving inhabitants were fed by French troops.

There has been violent artillery firing in the Champagne.

We have recaptured almost all the trenches on the left bank of the Meuse into which the enemy had penetrated. Fighting continues.

BABRIZ OCCUPIED.

ENEMY'S HASTY RETIREMENT TOWARDS KRANIKIN.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 19.
Recd. 7-45 p.m., March 20.

A Mesopotamia official communiqué says:—We crossed the Diala on Saturday night and occupied Babriz and part of Barubah which is a good supply centre. The inhabitants were friendly and ready to trade. Meanwhile the enemy has retired hastily towards Khanikin.

ITALIAN AIR-RAID.

RAILWAY STATION AT GALLIANO BOMBED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 1 p.m., Mar. 20.

A wireless Italian communiqué says one of our airships dropped a ton of high explosives on the railway station at Galliano and on the railway line northward of Mattarrello.

POLA BOMBED BY FRANCO-ITALIAN AIR SQUADRON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

ROME, March 20.
Recd. 7-45 p.m., March 20.

It is officially announced that a Franco-Italian air squadron bombarded Pola. Five enemy aeroplanes were repulsed after an aerial duel.

A number of enemy aeroplanes dropped bombs at Grado, doing slight damage. The Italians retaliated by bombing the Lloyd yards near Trieste.

EXPENDITURE SIX MILLIONS A DAY.

NATIONAL DEBT AND WAR ADVANCES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 1 p.m., Mar. 20.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. McKenna, Mr. Bonar Law stated that the national expenditure from April 1st to March 31st was approximately six millions daily. The nominal total of national debt on March 31st would be approximately £3,900 millions. He estimated the debt due to Britain by the Allies and the dominions in respect of war advances at approximately £964 millions.

FRENCH OCCUPY GUISCARD.

SECOND GERMAN POSITION CAPTURED.

TWO ENEMY ATTACKS REPULSED.

SUCCESSFUL AIR RAIDS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 12-30 p.m., Mar. 20.

A French communiqué says our light detachments, keeping in close touch with the enemy, have continued to advance without stopping. We reached the Ham-Nesle railway east of Nesle at several points and occupied Guiscard, north of Noyon, and advanced our patrols along the national road of St. Quentin.

We captured the second German position east of Mise.

SHAMEFUL DEVASTATIONS.

We have now liberated about one hundred French townships and villages during the last few days. The enemy has shamefully devastated and pillaged many localities. Thousands of inhabitants whom the Germans were unable to drive away came to welcome us.

After violent bombardment the Germans last night made a powerful attack on the Avocourt-Morthomme front. Our barrage and machine gun fire smashed the waves of assault on the greater part of the front before they could reach our lines and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy.

In the direction of Hill 304 and on the edge of the Avocourt wood, where enemy parties succeeded in penetrating our lines on a front of about two hundred metres, lively hand-to-hand fighting occurred in consequence of which the enemy was partly driven out from our advanced elements.

Two enemy aeroplanes were brought down. Our air squadrons bombed the factories and foundries at Thionville and in the Briey basin and convoys and marching enemy troops in the region of Guiscard.

M. BRIAND'S RESIGNATION.

NO DIMINUTION OF ENTHUSIASM FOR WAR.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 2-30 p.m. Mar. 20.

The resignation of M. Briand is scarcely understood. It was seemingly due largely to personal jealousies and enmities. Sober Paris journals regret the resignation at the present juncture but the whole press emphasises there is no diminution of enthusiasm regarding the war.

CONSTITUTION OF NEW CABINET.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 20.
Recd. 7-45 p.m., March 20.

The French Cabinet has been formed as follows:—

Premier and Minister for Foreign Affairs	Ribot.
Minister of War	Painleve.
Minister of Marine	Lacaze.
Minister of Munitions	Thomas.
Minister of Finance	Thierry.
Minister for Interior	Malvy.
Minister of Commerce	Clementel.
Food Controller	Violette.
Minister of Labour	Bourgeois.

FRENCH CABINET.

SOCIALIST AND RADICAL PARTIES BEST ELEMENTS REPRESENTED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 20.
Recd. 0-25 a.m. Mar. 21.

The formation of the French Cabinet proceeded without hitch. The Cabinet represents the best elements in the Socialist and Radical parties retaining the most successful members of the old Ministry like Ribot, the stern financial economist, Thomas dubbed the French Lloyd George, Lacaze, who has charge of naval operations in the Mediterranean and Painleve, "God-father of the French aviation" whose agitation led to the introduction of aeroplanes into the French Army. He is the foremost mathematician in France and was for a long time connected with the Army Committee of the Chamber.

RAID ON RAMSGATE.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT EAST OF DOVER.

LOSSES AND CASUALTIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 1 p.m., Mar. 20.

The Admiralty announces that enemy destroyers shelled the undefended watering-place of Ramsgate on Saturday night and hurriedly escaped in darkness. It is impossible to ascertain what damage was inflicted upon them.

Enemy destroyers engaged and torpedoed one of our destroyers east of Dover. She returned fire with torpedoes and guns but the result is not known. There were eight survivors. All the officers were drowned.

A second British destroyers was torpedoed while picking up survivors, but was not seriously damaged.

A British merchantman was also torpedoed and sunk in the Downs.

ZEPPELIN RAID OVER KENT.

CAUSED THE LEAST DAMAGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 7-30 a.m. Mar. 20.

No further official statement has been issued about the zeppelin raid over Kent, but unofficial reports indicate that it caused the least damage of any raid hitherto.

REVOLUTIONARY CHANGES IN RUSSIA.

QUESTION OF FINNISH LIBERTIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PETROGRAD, Mar. 19.
Recd. 7-30 a.m. Mar. 20.

Detective and gendarmerie services are being reorganised and ex-members are being sent to the front. The reactionary Metropolitans of Petrograd and Moscow have been compulsorily retired. Presidents of zemstvos or mayors are replacing provincial governors in the management of food supplies. Kerenski has ordered the Tobolsk district court immediately to release Svinhuyur, an ex-president of the Finnish Diet and to arrange for his journey to Petrograd.

The Cabinet will shortly discuss question of issuing a manifesto concerning Finnish liberties. Pourparlers are proceeding with Baron Rosen, ex-Ambassador in Washington, with a view to his appointment as Governor-General.

FREE TRADE UNION MEMORANDUM.

CONTENDS AGAINST COLONIAL PREFERENCE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 0-25 a.m. Mar. 21.

The Free Trade Union has issued a memorandum setting out a series of arguments against Colonial Preference. The Union contends *inter alia* that the adoption of the scheme would cause disappointment and heartburnings within the Dominions and lead India to build up a protective tariff against the manufacturers of Great Britain. It contends that policy is not reconcilable with the recommendations of the Paris Economic Conference and submits that the taxation of the Allies' merchandise would weaken the alliance and check common action against German schemes.

GERMAN RETREAT DESCRIBED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Mar. 20
Recd. 0-25 a.m., Mar. 21.

A military eyewitness describing the German retreat says there are signs everywhere of precipitate withdrawal. Stirring human scenes occurred when the French cavalry entered Nesle on the 19th inst. All inhabitants numbering 2,000 lined the streets and received the soldiers with wild acclamations. The French aviator was the first arrival; he descended at eight in the morning when he sighted the French flag flying from a housetop. The cross roads outside Roye were mined and now gaping holes are filling with water from Avre. All houses were savagely pillaged and only the mattress chair and table were left to each inhabitants but the houses were standing. The inhabitants expected to be carried off but they explained to the French troops that "the Germans didn't expect you yet." All trees and haystacks were destroyed and there was not a bundle of straw anywhere.

AMERICA AND SUBMARINISM.

VIRTUALLY A STATE OF WAR.

IMMEDIATE SESSION OF CONGRESS TO BE CALLED

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON Mar. 19.
Recd. 7-30 a.m. Mar. 20.

In view of the ruthless submarining of three American merchantmen, it is unofficially admitted that a state of war virtually exists between America and Germany though technically the United States remains in a position of armed neutrality.

President Wilson contemplates calling an immediate session of the Congress to receive an address requesting the authority to adopt agressive measures against submarines. Merchantmen are already arming defensively. The next move must be to send out warships to search for submarines and clear the trans-Atlantic lanes.

In view of the added seriousness of the situation, President Wilson on Sunday determined that the railway strike must be prevented at all hazards and the railway managers authorised the mediators to make whatever arrangements were necessary with the men's unions to prevent a strike, as it would interrupt the efficient operation of the railways which are indispensable for national defence.

CITY OF MEMPHIS.

TORPEDOED BY TWO SUBMARINES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 4-15 p.m., Mar. 20.

Sixteen of crew of the City of Memphis have been landed. They state that the ship was torpedoed on Saturday evening by two submarines. The steamer carried no cargo.

MEMBERS OF CREW MISSING.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 20.
Recd. 0-25 a.m., March 21.

The captain and nine of the crew of the City of Memphis are still missing.

TERMS OF RAILWAY AGREEMENT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

NEW YORK, Mar. 19.
Recd. 1 p.m., Mar. 20.

The railway agreement grants men an eight-hour day and overtime pay of at least one and one-eigth of the daily rate per hour.

INDIA AND AUSTRALIA.

MISSION FOR CLOSER TRADE RELATIONS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

BATAVIA, Mar. 19.
Recd. 1 p.m., Mar. 20.

A representative of the Commonwealth of Australia is proceeding to India on mission to enquire into question of closer trade relations between India and Australia.

FUNERAL OF DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT.

A DIGNIFIED AND SIMPLE CEREMONY

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, March 19.
Recd. 5-20 p.m., March 20.

The funeral of the Duchess of Connaught took place in St. George's Chapel, Windsor. The ceremony was dignified and simple. A feature was the presence of khaki troops from various parts of the Empire. The congregation included Colonial High Commissioners and Sir Robert Borden, Mr. Massey and General Smuts. There was a large attendance of Cabinet Ministers and members of the corps diplomatique.

The Duke of Connaught and Prince Arthur immediately followed the coffin and then their Majesties and other members of the Royal Family. The Maharajah of Bikanir, Sir Pertab Singh and Raja of Ratlam had a place in the royal procession.

ZEPPELIN RAID.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.
Recd. 4-15 p.m., Mar. 20.

Mr. Macpherson, Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the War Office, stated that as no fatalities and practically no damage were caused by the Zeppelin raid on the 16th instant, it was not necessary to issue a further communiqué on the subject.

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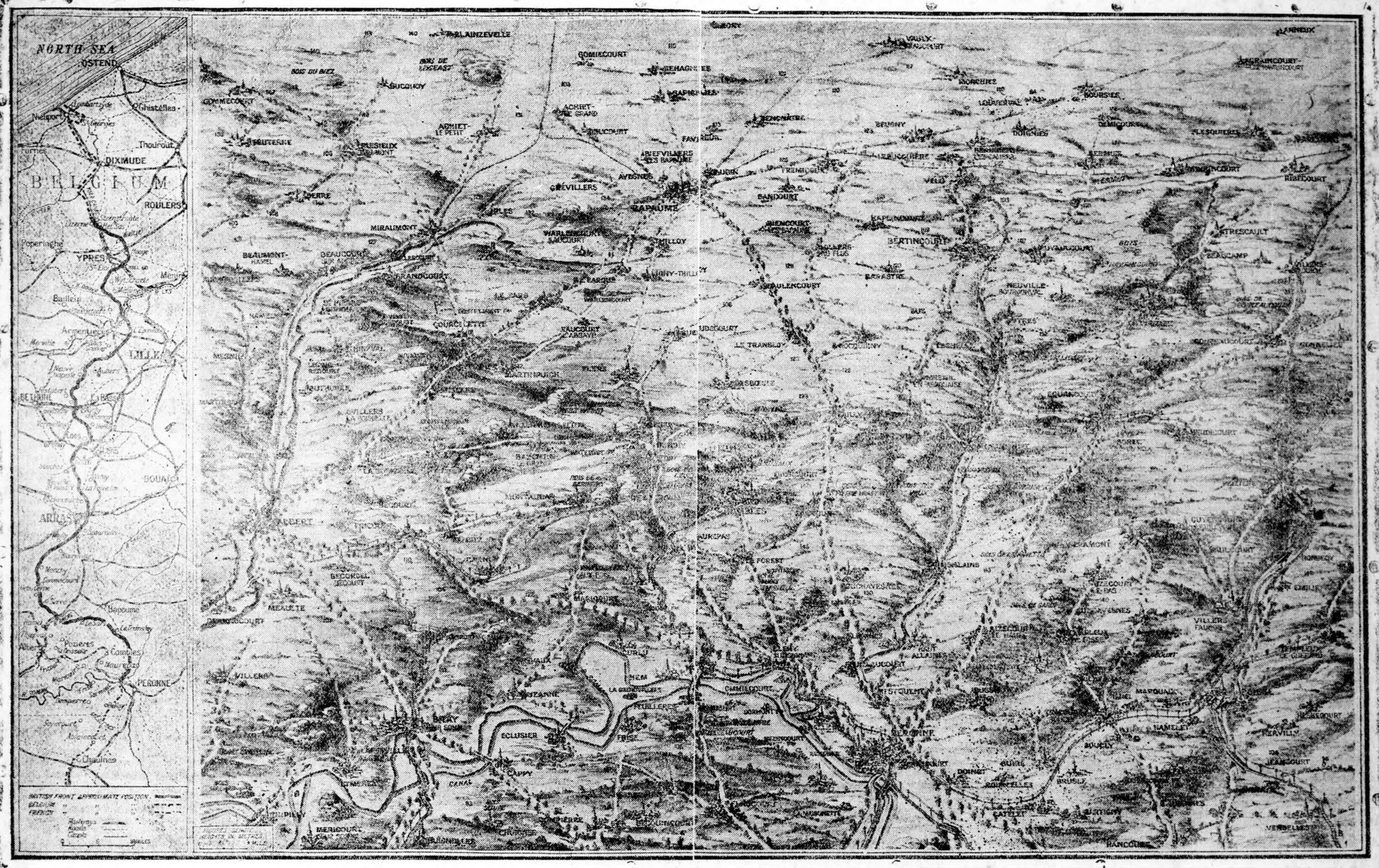

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The Scene of the Anglo-French Offensive.

The area here shown comprises the whole front on which the British advance was originally made,—roughly, from Gommecourt to a point near Combles,—also the section of the French front recently taken over by the British forces, and part of the French front south of the Somme. The numbers on the pictorial map indicate the altitude of the ground at various points, and not particular hills. The sectional map on the left is added to show, approximately, the extent of the whole of the present British front, with the Belgian front and part of the French adjoining ours.

THE BISHOP'S VISIT TO AMBOLI.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "CHRONICLE."

Sir,—We, the parishioners of the Church of Amboli, beg you will kindly permit us to ventilate our grievance through the medium of your much esteemed paper which has done and is doing the most valuable work in throwing the light of publicity in the darkest and most secret recesses.

Certain local weeklies of pro-Padroado leanings and tendencies are just now busy dressing up their columns with glowing accounts of the pomp and pageantry attending the pastoral tour of the Bishop of Damaun in Salsette and Bassein. As the most flattering and laudatory addresses have been presented at the Churches visited by his Lordship, we deem it incumbent in order to safeguard our most vital interests to put the Vatican, the British Government and the public on their guard, so that these addresses may be taken for what they are worth, and not be given any undue importance. This caution is just now imperative as there is a general and widespread agitation on the part of British subjects to bring the most respectful, yet none the less emphatic, pressure to bear on the British Ambassador at the Vatican to move the Holy See to wipe out once and for all the Lusitanian anacronism,—the Padroado. If such addresses as are now being showered on the good Bishop, were to fall into the hands of the Holy Father, or the British Ambassador, an impression might be created in their minds that the existing state of affairs is irreproachable and needs no rectification or displacement. Owing to such apprehension, we deem it our duty to be on the *qui vive* with our counterblast.

Recently the Bishop of Damaun visited the Church of St. Braz, Amboli. A magnificently illuminated address was presented to him, purporting to be on behalf of the parish. The Committee which presented the address, consisted of two individuals, namely, Messrs. D. E. Pereira and J. Miranda. This visit took place on the 16th February, 1917. A few days before the priest announced that the address had been drafted by the Committee and that the parishioners were quite welcome to scrutinize the same, and give their views if they had any to offer. Some of the parishioners having perused the address found that it did not reflect their mind. From the address one would imagine the parish of Amboli to be an ideal parish. A body of parishioners who saw the Vicar on the subject, protested to him that the address ,though warmly welcoming his Lordship, should distinctly reveal all the weak points in the administration of the Church and bring to his notice the urgent needs of the parish whose interests were being neglected, so that the proper remedial measures might be taken and the long-felt wants of the parishioners satisfied. It was a gross mistake, urged the parishioners, to allow the Bishop to see things through rosy tinted glasses. The parish of Amboli was the parish of the parishioners, and it was to their interest and the interests of their posterity that the parish should keep abreast of the times and not allowed to retrograde after the Lusitanian idea of progression. The Vicar was obdurate and said that an address of the kind to be presented to the Bishop could not be allowed to contain anything less sweet than the sugar with which it had been charged, and that if the parishioners had any grievances to bring to his Lordship's notice, they should embody them in a formal petition addressed to him, but as we are aware that the bulk of such petitions receive no other reception than the sepulture of the waste paper basket, it would be mere waste of time, energy and stationery to follow the priest's advice.

The pair of gentlemen composing the Committee, are the Bishop's and Vicar's own nominees, so it is not to be wondered at if these, with the leadership of the Vicar, play the part of poet laureate to him. This significant fact will at once bring home to the public the insignificance of the address which in no wise reflects the mind of the general body of parishioners. The Amboli priest was thrice ordered to leave Amboli and as often succeeded in having the order revoked. This shows the want of resolution and vacillation at headquarters. The Church of Goregaum is an ancient Portuguese Church lately rebuilt. This Church is affiliated to the Amboli Church and under the Amboli Vicar. It is understood that the Vicar must make it convenient to hold divine service at the Goregaum Church, his flock there being very poor and illiterate and ignorant. It is seldom that this Church secures the Vicar's attention. During the whole rainy season from July to September and on some feast days the doors of the Church are closed, there being neither Mass nor any other divine service held.

Under these circumstances it is not to be wondered at that the Vicar should have been so circumspect as he was to avoid all mention of sins of omission and commission in the address. One more word and we have done. Messrs. Pereira and Miranda, the members of the abovementioned Committee, at one time worked hand in hand with the parishioners for the furtherance of the interests of the parish. But no sooner were they raised by the Bishop of Damaun to the rank and honour of Committeemen, than there was immediately a *volte face* and this attitude they are resolutely adhering to.—Yours, etc.,

"PARISHIONERS."

Amboli, 20th March, 1917.

BOMBAY CATHOLICS AND THE ECCLESIASTICAL REGIME.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—With reference to the paragraph in your issue of 19th instant regarding the opening of the new church in the Taluka of Bassein, Thana District, and the presentation on the occasion of an address to His Lordship the Bishop of Domaun, the peculiar circumstances of the case necessitate my troubling you with this communication which I hope you will kindly publish in order to make matters clear and to prevent the authorities concerned being misled into believing that the address in quetion is an expression of the views and opinions of the Catholics concerned. The address which is written in English is the work of a single individual Mr. Angelo M. Baptista, who is praised therein and whose daughter read it and presented to His Lordship on behalf of the public concerned. The address was neither explained to the people who are mostly ignorant of English before it was framed nor after it was read. It recounts the past glories of Portugal and draws a veil over the present state of things and the incompetency of the Ecclesiastical regime which has been responsible for the backward condition of the Bassein Catholic Community. Well, this is as it should be and nobody can find fault for bringing out in bolder relief the past grandeur and glossing over present defects and shortcomings. The point which I desire to bring out here is this. The people of Bassein have already petitioned His Excellency Lord Willingdon, Governor of Bombay, and His Highness Pope Benedict XV, representing strongly that the Churches in Bombay, Salsette and Bassein, save and except that of St. Francis Xaviers Burrows Lane, Bombay built by the Portuguese subjects, should be transferred to the Archdiocese of Bombay and praying that an Englishman might be appointed Archbishop of Bombay. This proposal is viewed by certain persons with disfavour. These Anti-English people would like to see the movement discredited, as will be seen from the columns of the "Examiner" and the "Bombay East Indian," edited by Mr. J. L Britto, both of which have sympathised with the present order of things. The petitions to Rome and to Government have been widely signed and amongst the Bassein signatories the above mentioned Mr. Angelo M. Baptista stands out prominently. It is feared that the Bishop of Damaun or some one of his priests might be disposed to send a copy of the address to Rome and to our Government and thus lead the Holy See and Government to believe that the people of Bassein are satisfied with the state of things. Capital might be sought to be made out of the address which in itself does not mean much and is a mere formal complimentary document.—Yours, etc.

Anti-Humbug.

Bassein, 20th, March 1917.

MYSORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

BANGALORE, March 20.

At a meeting of the Mysore Legislative Council, to-day, Mr. A. R. Bannerji moved that the Bill further to amend the Mysore Land Revenue, be read in the Council. The object of the Bill was to amend section 210 of the Code vesting with the Revenue Commissioner, power to decide all revenue matters and taking away the right of appeal to Government.

Most of the non-official members who spoke opposed the motion, which was not subsequently pressed by the mover.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Mar. 20.

There was no life in the market for jute mill shares and in the absence of buyers, the price shewed a further decline. Coal shares ruled steady and unchanged with a fair volume of business reported. In other directions there was no feature of interest. The following sales took place:—

Coal:—Bengal 825; Bhalgora 37-4; Borrea (ord) 18-8, 18-12; Burra Dhemo 12-12, 13; Damuda 23-12, 24; Gopalichuck 10; Lakurka 44, 43-12, 43-4; Nazira 17-8, 18; Ondal (ord) 14, 14-4; Phularitand 6, 6-4, 6-12; Raneegunge 35-8, 35-12; Royal 4-8, 4-10, 4-12; Sowardih 14; Sudamdih 4-8, 4-10.

Jute:—Barnagore (ord) 94; Budge Budge (ord) 285; Clive (ord) 123, 122, 121, 118, 120; Kamarhatty (ord) 281, 278, 280; Standard (ord) 282; Waverley 9-4; East India 99, 100; Sanai 16, 16-4.

Government paper three and a half per cent. was quoted at Rs. 67 to 63 nominal and small lots were done at Rs. 68-4 to 68-8.

"BASE AND UNSCRUPULOUS."

APOLOGY ACCEPTED FOR DEFAMATION

On a notice taken out by Fardunji Cowasji Dordi in the Court of Mr. Khairaz, Third Presidency Magistrate, for defamation, Ardeshir Cowasji Vesugar, appeared yesterday to answer the charge brought against him.

Mr. Azad, Barrister-at-Law, represented the complainant, Mr. Dordi. Mr. Desai, pleader, defended the accused.

The facts were that the complainant possessed a saw-mill at Grant Road. This saw-mill was mortgaged for Rs. 4,500 and the amount was due in November last. The complainant sold the saw-mill to the accused for Rs. 4,500 but as he (the complainant) was in need of Rs. 350 besides that sum, he alleged that he mortgaged the corrugated iron sheets which were on his property at Parel. The accused obtained from him a deed of sale of the iron sheets as he said that the property being of a temporary nature he could not take a mortgage of them. The complainant was engaged by the accused as his manager on a salary of Rs. 150 per month and the accused had promised the complainant that he would allow him to redeem the iron sheets as soon as he was able to do so. The complainant trusted the accused and after serving him for about 3 months asked the accused to settle his account with him on the 10th of February last. On the 13th of February the complainant received a letter from the accused in which the latter claimed the iron sheets as his own property, having obtained them through the sale. The complainant was surprised at this letter and instructed Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, Solicitors, to write a reply in which they set out the facts stated above.

On the 1st of March, Messrs. Captain and Vaidya received a letter by post and written in English over the signature of the accused. It purported to be a reply to their letter calling upon him to make up accounts with the complainant. After referring to the complainant, it went on to say that the writer "had not come across a man more base, unscrupulous, deceitful and mischief-making." For using these words the accused was charged with defamation.

When the case came on for hearing, the Magistrate, addressing Mr. Desai, remarked that to him it seemed a clear case of abuse of the privilege allowed under exception 9 of the section, and asked him what he had to say.

Mr. Desai said that he had considered the position and after reading the information filed against his client carefully he had advised the accused to express regret and to withdraw the allegations he had made.

Mr. Azad said that his client would act as he was advised by him and being a reasonable man, though the aspersions cast on the complainant's character were no doubt very strong, he would accept the apology and retractation, but he would respectfully suggest to the Court that the accused should pay a sum of money, however small, into the War Relief Fund.

Eventually the notice was discharged on the following terms:—The accused withdrew the allegations made by him against the character of the complainant in the letter addressed to Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, Solicitors, and expressed his regret. The accused also paid Rs. 15 into the War Relief Fund.

Mr. Azad: This is the result of not spending Rs. 3 for a lawyer's notice.

The Magistrate: Had the accused come to you, Mr. Desai, before writing that letter, he would not have had to come here.

INDIAN WAR LOAN.

MEETING AT PATAN.

(From a Correspondent.)

PATAN, Mar. 20.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Patan, Baroda State was held on Tuesday, Shrimant Sampatrao, Gaekwar Subha of Kadi Prant, presiding. An influential committee was appointed for war loan work and full explanations were given to the public.

At the war loan meeting held at Amritsar about twelve lakhs of rupees were subscribed.

At a meeting of Bhayats, officers and other gentlemen held on the 15th instant at Chhota Udepur in response to the appeal made by H. H. the Maharaja Saheb Rs. 2,22,500 was subscribed on the spot, including Rs. 1.25.000 from H. H. himself, towards the Indian War Loan. At a further meeting held under the presidency of his Highness Rs. 39,100 were subscribed.

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PROCLAMATION IN BAGDAD.

"NOT CONQUERORS OR ENEMIES BUT DELIVERERS."

INIQUITIES OP TURKO-GERMAN AGGRANDISEMENT.

(From our Correspondent.)

DELHI, Mar. 20.

With the approval of his Majesty's Government, the General Officer Commanding Mesopotamia Expeditionary Force has issued the following proclamation to the inhabitants of the City and Vilayet of Bagdad :—

"In the name of my King and in the name of the people whom he rules, I address you as follows :—

Our military operations have as their object the defeat of the enemy and the driving of him from these territories. In order to complete this task, I am charged with the absolute and supreme control of all regions in which the British troops operate but our armies do not come into your cities and lands as conquerors or enemies but as deliverers. Since the days of Halaka your cities and your lands have been subject to the tyranny of strangers. Your palaces have fallen into ruins, your gardens have sunken in desolation and your forefathers and yourselves have groaned in bondage. Your sons have been carried off to wars not of your seeking, your wealth has been stripped from you by unjust men and squandered in distant places

Since the days of Midhat the Turks have talked of reforms yet do not the ruins and wastes of to-day testify to the vanity of those promises?

It is the wish not only of my King and his peoples but it is also the wish of the great nations with whom he is in alliance that you should prosper even as in the past when your lands were fertile, when your ancestors gave to the world literature, science and art and when Bagdad City was one of the wonders of the world.

Between your people and the dominions of my King there had been a close bond of interest. For two hundred years have the merchants of Bagdad and Great Britain traded together in mutual profit and friendship. On the other hand, the Germans and Turks, who have despoiled you and yours, have for twenty years made Bagdad a centre of power from which to assail the power of the British and the Allies of the British in Persia and Arabia. Therefore the British Government cannot remain indifferent as to what takes place in your country now or in the future. For in duty to the interests of the British people and their Allies the British Government cannot risk that being done in Bagdad again which has been done by the Turks and the Germans during the war.

But you people of Bagdad, whose commercial prosperity and whose safety from invasion must ever be a matter of the closest concern to the British Government, are not to understand that it is the wish of the British Government to impose upon you alien institutions. It is the hope of the British Government that the aspirations of your philosophers and writers shall be realised and that once again the people of Bagdad shall flourish, enjoy their wealth and substance under institutions which are in consonance with their sacred laws and their racial ideas. In the Hedjaz the Arabs have expelled the Turks and the Germans, who oppressed them and proclaimed Sheriff Hussein as their King and his Lordship rules in independence and freedom and is the ally of the nations who are fighting against the power of Turkey and Germany. So indeed are the noble Arabs the lords of Koweit, Nejd and Asir.

Many noble Arabs have perished in the cause of freedom at the hand of those alien rulers who oppressed them. It is the determination of the Government of Great Britain and the great powers allied to Great Britain that these noble Arabs shall not have suffered in vain. It is the hope and desire of the British people and the nations in league with them the Arab race may rise once more to greatness and renown among the peoples of the earth and that it shall bind itself to this end in unity and concord of the people of Bagdad. Remember that for twenty-six generations you have suffered under strange tyrants, who have ever endeavoured to set one Arab house against another in order that they might profit by your dissensions. This policy is abhorrent to Great Britain and her Allies, for there can be neither peace nor prosperity where there is enmity and misgovernment. Therefore I am commanded to invite you through your nobles and elders and representatives to participate in the management of your civil affairs in collaboration with the political representatives of Great Britain, who accompany the British Army so that you may unite with your kinsmen in the north, east, south and west in realising the aspirations of your race.

INDIAN DEFENCE FORCE.

EXEMPTION TRIBUNALS.

RULES FOR INDIANS

The following appears in the Gazette of India of March 17 :—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 13 of the Indian Defence Force Act, 1917, (III of 1917), the Governor-General in Council is pleased to make the following rules :—

1. These rules may be called the Indian Defence Force Rules, 1917.

2. In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—(a) "the Act" means the Indian Force Act, 1917; (b) "the competent military authority" means the General Officer Commanding the Division, Divisional Area or Independent Brigade within the territorial limits of which a person for the time being resides or is serving as the case may be; and (c) the expression "District Magistrate" shall be deemed, in the Presidency Town and Rangoon, to refer to the Commissioner of Police.

3. For the purpose of the proviso to Section 3 of the Act, the prescribed military authority shall be the General Officer Commanding the Brigade.

4. For the purpose of Sections 9 and 10 of the Act, the prescribed authority shall be the competent military authority.

PART I. EXEMPTION.

5. An application for exemption from military service shall ordinarily be made by the person claiming to be exempted: Provided that application may be made—(a) on behalf of a person under 18 years of age, or of unsound, mind, by his parent or legal guardian; (b) on behalf of a person employed by any public authority by a person specially authorised in this behalf by order in writing by the chief executive officer of such authority; (c) on behalf of a person employed by any railway administration by a person specially authorised in this behalf by order in writing by the head of such railway administration; and (d) on behalf of any other person, by his employer or by a person specially authorised in this behalf by order in writing by such employer.

6. (1) An application for exemption under Section 11 of the Act shall be in writing and shall state concisely the grounds on which exemption is claimed, and whether permanent or temporary exemption is sought. It shall be signed by the person making the application and shall be lodged with the District Magistrate of the district in which the person in respect of whom it is made ordinarily resides.

(2) The District Magistrate shall forthwith forward every application lodged with him under this rule to the President of the appropriate exemption tribunal constituted under these rules.

Where by inadvertence the application is forwarded to an exemption tribunal, which under these rules is not the appropriate tribunal, it shall be referred forthwith by that tribunal to the appropriate tribunal.

(3) Every application for exemption under this rule shall be made within one month from the date on which the person in respect of whom the application is made becomes liable to military service, or from the 21st of March 1917, whichever date is later:

Provided that the appropriate exemption tribunal, where it is satisfied that the person making the application was prevented by any sufficient cause from making such application within the time specified in this rule, may hear and determine the application.

(4) Unless the Local Government by general or special order otherwise directs, the appropriate exemption tribunal (hereinafter called the exemption tribunal) shall be the tribunal or any one of the tribunals constituted under rule 7 in the area in which the person concerned ordinarily resides, and every application for exemption shall be determined by such tribunal.

EXEMPTION TRIBUNALS.

(5) In case of doubt the Local Government shall decide by which exemption tribunal a particular application or class of applications shall be determined.

7. (1) In every military brigade area there shall be one or more exemption tribunals.

(2) Every such tribunal shall consist of three members, namely :—(a) A Civil Officer nominated by the Local Government, who shall be President; (b) A Military Officer nominated by the competent military authority; and (c) A non-official European British subject to be nominated by the President:

Provided that if any difficulty arises with respect to the constitution of any tribunal as regards the non-official member thereof, the Local Government may make any appointment and do anything which appears to it necessary or expedient for the representation on tribunals of non-official European British subjects.

(3) The Local Government shall frame lists of non-official European British subjects from among whom the President shall from time to time nominate the non-official member of an exemption tribunal. The person so nominated shall be a member of such tribunal for such period as the President may from time to time direct. In nominating members the President shall have regard to the nature of the claims pending before the tribunal:

Provided that no non-official European British subject shall sit as a member of an exemption tribunal, when such tribunal is adjudicating on the application of any person in his employment, or in the employment of the firm or company of which he is a member, agent or servant, or on any other application in which he is otherwise personally interested, of which facts the President shall be the sole judge.

MAJORITY DECISIONS.

(4) The decision of every exemption tribunal shall be in accordance with the opinion of the majority of the members.

(5) The President shall decide all questions which may arise as to points of order or procedure.

(6) A military representative authorized in this behalf by the competent military authority shall have the right to appear as a party to every application heard by the exemption tribunal to whom his name shall be duly notified.

(7) At least seven clear days before the hearing of an application the President shall send to the applicant and to the military representative notice of the time and place at which the application will be heard:

Provided that the President may in his discretion adjourn the hearing of any application to any subsequent day upon giving reasonable notice of that adjournment to the person concerned.

(8) All applications to the exemption tribunal shall be heard in public unless the tribunal in any particular case, due regard being given to the interests of the parties and of any other person concerned in the application, consider that an application or any part of the proceedings thereon should be heard in private. Provided that the exemption tribunal may exclude the parties and the public at any time during the hearing of an application for the purpose of conferring upon any question affecting the decision of the tribunal.

(9) The exemption tribunal shall hear every applicant appearing before it, and shall communicate its decision to the applicant and shall send a copy thereof to the competent military authority, and shall, if necessary, in accordance with such decision, issue under the signature of the President to the person by or in respect of whom the application has been made a certificate of exemption in Form I set out in the Schedule to these rules.

PART II. VOLUNTARY ENROLMENT.

8. A person not being a European British subject may offer himself for enrolment for general military service, provided he satisfies the following conditions, namely :—(1) He must not belong to any class from which the Indian Army is ordinarily recruited. (2) He must not be a member of a criminal tribe, or a person who at any time has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment or transportation, or has been ordered under the provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure to give security for his good behaviour, such sentence or order not having been subsequently reversed or remitted, or the offender pardoned. (3) He must not be a member of a menial class. (4) He must bear a good character. (5) He must for the time being have attained the age of 18 years but not the age of 30 years. (6) He must have attained the standard of height, chest measurement and physical fitness required for recruits of the Indian Army.

9. (1) Every person offering himself for enrolment under the provisions of Section 12 of the Act shall lodge with the District Magistrate of the district in which he ordinarily resides Form II set out in the Schedule to these rules duly filled in and signed by him. (2) The District Magistrate shall forward every form lodged with him under the provisions of sub-rule (1) to the competent military authority, or to such other person as may be appointed in this behalf by the competent military authority.

QUESTIONS ON ENROLMENT.

The following questions are to be put to those enroling in the Indian Defence Force (see rule 9) :

1. What is your name?
2. What is your father's name?
3. What is your religion, class and tribe?
4. What is your Village, Thana, Pargannah, Tahsil and District?
5. What are your educational qualifications?
6. Have you ever been imprisoned by the Civil Power?
7. Do you now belong to His Majesty's Forces, the Reserve or the Imperial Service Troops of any Native State or the Nepal State Army?
8. Have you ever served in His Majesty's Forces, the Reserve or the Imperial Service Troops of any Native State or the Nepal State Army?

If so, state in which and the cause of discharge (a)?

Have you truly stated the whole, if any, of your former service?

10. Are you in receipt of any allowance from Government? If so, on what account?

11. Are you willing to be enrolled in the Indian Defence Force?

12. Are you willing to go wherever ordered in India by land or sea, and allow no caste usages to interfere with your military duty?

13. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated?

14. Are you willing to serve until discharged in accordance with the following conditions provided His Majesty shall so long require your service?

When you have served till the conclusion of the war you will be entitled to receive your discharge with all convenient speed.

(a) If so, the recruit should be asked to produce his Discharge Certificate.

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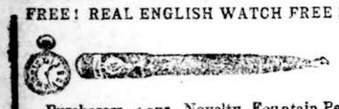
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COMMERCIAL.

CABLE QUOTATIONS.

COTTON.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

New York, Mar. 16th.

Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports	..	..	16,000
Futures at New York May	..	..	17.65—70
,, July	..	..	17.49—50
Spot Cotton at New York	..	..	18.30+.5
Futures at New Orleans May	..	..	17.15—14
,, July	..	..	17.03—1/8

MANCHESTER MARKET.

Liverpool, Mar. 15th.

Tone of Manchester cloth market there are scattered sales where sellers are prepared to meet Buyers

Tone of Yarns:—
Irregular.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

COTTON.

(From our Commercial Correspondent.)

Mar. 20.

The Market at Colaba opened steady with M. G. Good Broach at Rs. 392/8 and advanced to Rs. 393/8 on jobbers buying. Some business is reported for Fine Bengal May.

Ready Cotton is in fair demand.

Quotations are:—
M. G. Good Broach 393/8.
M. G. Fully Good Bengal 289.
M. G. K. Akola 265.

Messrs. PATEL BROS' APPROXIMATE QUOTATIONS AT MID-DAY.

Bombay, Mar. 20th.

Description.		Mar. 1917	April 1917	May 1917	Spot Cotton.
Broach,	Good M.G.	..	390	..	..
Broach,	Fine M.G.	403	397	..	405/10
Bengal,	F.G. M.G.	287	..	..	280/90
Bengal,	Fine M.G.	296	..	303	290/00
Bengal,	Superfine M.G.	..	..	..	305/15
Rajputana,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	292/02
Sind Panjab,	Fine M.G.	300	..	..	295/05
Khan. Akola	Fine M.G.	392 3	..	389	345/65
Ellich/Amraoti,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	345/65
Dhamg /Fulgaon,	Fine M G	..	..	..	355/70
Yeotmal,	Fine M G	..	..	..	360/75
Nagpore.	Fine M G	..	..	..	370/80
Hingt./Wardha,	Fine G M G	..	..	..	375/85
Khandelsh,	Fine M G	349	..	..	330/40
Khandelsh,	F G M G	321	..	..	300/20
Khandwa Sanawad,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	310/20
Jalna	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	335/45
Indore,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Ujjain,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Nander.	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	390/00
Mathia,	Fine M G	..	..	..	335/45
Mathia,	F G M G	..	..	..	320/30
Saw Ginned Dharwar	Good	..	..	..	..
Coompta,	Good M G	..	413	..	..
Westerns	Good M G	..	398	..	..
Westerns,	Good H G	..	392	..	..

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COLABA, 20th March, 1917 4-30 p.m.

Growths	Super-fine	Fine	Fully Good	Good Delivery
Bengals (M G)	314	304	294	.. Ready
Bengals (M G)	296	288	..	.. 25th Mar. 17
Selnde-Punjab (M G)	316	306	296	.. Ready
	..	298	290	.. 25th Mar. 17
Khandesh (M G)	..	358	328	.. Ready
	..	354	324	.. 25th Mar. 17
Jalna (M G) (G.S.)	..	..	354	.. Ready
Barsee (M G) (G.S.)	..	..	374	.. Ready
Nanded M.G. (Good-Staple)	..	..	420	.. Ready
Akola Khamg	..	365	345	.. Ready &
Karanja (M G)	..	..	..	.. 25th Mar. 17
Oomrawatee descriptions (M G)	..	363	343	.. Ready &
	..	367	352	.. 25th Mar. 17
Dhamangaum	..	372	357	.. Ready
Poolgaum (M G)	..	372	357	.. 25th Mar. 17
	..	372	357	.. Ready
Yeotmal (M G)	..	377	362	.. 25th Mar. 17
Nagpore	..	382	370	.. Ready
Kampti (M G)	..	394	389	.. 25th Mar. 17
Wardha H'ghat (M G)	..	384	372	.. Ready
	..	385	370	.. 25th Mar. 17
	..	412	..	.. Ready
Broach (M G)	..	405	..	.. 25th Mar 17
	..	396	..	393 25th Apr 17
Wadhwan (M G)	..	420	405	.. Ready
(H G.)	..	410	395	.. Ready
Mathia (M.G.)	..	352	342	.. Ready
	..	347	335	.. 25th Mar, 17
Bhagalkote-Bijapur (M.G.)	..	..	..	405 May June 17
Sawgd. Dharwar	..	..	..	403 May June 17
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Westerns (M.G.)	..	..	..	403 May June 17
Westerns (H.G.)	..	..	..	393 May June 17
Compta (M.G.)	..	..	..	415 May June 17
Mira (M.G.)	..	..	..	417 May June 17

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

The following are to-day's closing rates as issued by the Marwari Chamber of Commerce.

Bombay, Mar. 20th—4 p.m.

	Bazaar Terms. Rs. a. p.	Rail. Delivery. Rs. a. p.
Ready.		
Wheat, White Delhi 70-30' ..	45 3 0	6 9 0
Wheat, White Cawnpore 70-30	45 8 0	6 3 0
Wheat, Karachi Bangla ..	45 8 0	6 10 0
Rapeseed, Brown Delhi ..	6 2 0	6 8 0
Rapeseed, Brown Cawnpore ..	6 2 0	6 8 0
Rapeseed, Yellow Cawnpore' ..	6 8 0	6 14 0
Linseed, Brown Bold ..	3 4 0	3 10 0
Linseed, Brown Thin ..	7 4 0	3 2 0
Teeleeri, White 55-15 ..	46 0 0	9 2 0
,, Gajar 75-25 ..	44 0 0	8 12 0
,, Gajar 50-50 ..	42 0 0	8 12 0
,, Black ..	38 0 0	8 0 0
Poppyseed, White ..	7 4 0	7 13 0
Groundnuts ..	40 0 0	....
Mowrasee ..	4 0 0	4 4 0
Jawa ..	38 0 0	5 2 0
Arandi ..	38 0 0	....
Forward	Rs. a. p.	
Wheat April-May ..	3 3 6	
Linseed May ..	3 14 3	
Linseed Sept. ..	3 14 9	

BULLION.

The Silver market is steady but there has not been a sharp rise to-day due to profit taking. The China exchanges are again up.

English Bar Gold 27.
Shield Sovereign 17.
Dragon 16-1.
Silver Ready Ex-duty 88-4.
Silver 1st Sett. Ex-duty 88-9.
Silver 2nd Sett. (May) Ex-Duty 88-4.

EXCHANGE.

Bank Telegraphic Transfer 1/4 7/32.
Bank Demand Drafts 1/4 9/32.
3 Months Sight Credits 1/4 19/32.
Bank Demand on France Frcs. 188.
3 Months Sight Francs Frcs. 194.
30 days Sight Hongkong Rs. 167.
30 days Sight Shanghai Rs. 245.
60 days Sight Japan Rs. 151.
Bank D. D. on New York. Rs. 310.

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

3½ per cent. Government Paper is quoted at 67.
4 per cent. Conversion Loan at 80.

SHARES.

The market for mill shares was quite steady and there was an improvement in the prices, the chief activity being in Standard Mill shares.

Standards were placed at prices varying from 1,440 to 1,470 xd. Nagpurs from 2,310 to 2,335, Madhavjees from 1,630 to 1,645, Crescents from 217/8, to 222/8, Currimbhoys from 317/8 to 325, Fazulbhoys from 680 to 695, Indian Bleachings from 280 to 292/8, Indore Malwas from 435 to 445.

Pearls were steady at 495, Simplex at 600, Swadeshis at 1,760 Century at 305, Bombay United at 750.

Tata Irons were steady at 240, and Deferreds at 915, Katni Ordinaries improved to 252/8 and Deferreds were steady at 820 x.d.

Shivrajpurs were steady at 43/8, and Central India Mining at 56.

Alcock Ashdowns were quoted at 825, Tata Hydros advanced to 1,100, Tramway Ordinaries were unchanged at 317/8.

In Railway shares there was not much business. At the close, the market was very steady.

PETITION OF MANCHESTER EXPORTERS

Messrs. James F. Hutton and Co. Ltd., in their weekly circular dated the 14th February state that there is a movement on the part of a section of Manchester Export Houses to bring pressure to bear upon the Government to compel Dyers and Printers to give a preference to business for Export. While the importance of the Export Trade during the War is undeniable the proposal is rather revolutionary; and, judging by the list of the signatories to the petition, the principal Export Houses are evidently reluctant to go to such a length, as with very few exceptions those names which are looked upon as carrying weight in the Manchester Trade are missing. Further, the promoters of the petition now threaten the firms who have not replied that they shall be put on a sort of black list and published far and wide, by which action the petition has lost any influence it might have had.

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I have very great pleasure to write to you that my eldest brother Sj. Chandra Kishore Chakravarty has been completely cured of Diabetes by using your specific for the same. Last year, our Head Clerk, Babu Narayan Das, was very bad with Diabetes and since he used your medicine he has been quite healthy. It is his wonderful cure that attracted the notice of my brother, who too has been cured within two months and quite completely. This disease is generally described by the physicians as almost incurable, but you have done a great service to the suffering humanity by discovering a cure for this incurable disease. It is only yesterday that my friend Dr. Surendra Nath Mukerjee, L.M.S., enquired of me as to the effects of your medicine and appeared to be very anxious to try it on his brother-in-law, who has been suffering from Diabetes. Believe me. I am very grateful to you for this cure of my brother and I heartily recommend it to all Diabetic patients.

Yours sincerely,
K. P. CHAKRAVARTI.

NOTE.

Babu Chandra Kishore Chakravarty suffered from this disease for 5 years in his old age at 60 years. He was unable to walk and talk much. He passed a very large quantity of water, 25 times in 24 hours with excruciating thirst. The first day's treatment reduced the number of making water from 25 to 8 times in a day with sound sleep. The public can ask this firm for the statement written by him.

Correspondents are requested to quote this paper.

BANKS.

Name and Amount paid up.	Face value.	Div. Paid.	Last Div % p.a.	Quotation not to buyers.
INDIAN BANKS.	Rs.			Rs.
Allahabad Bank ..	10	Jan.-July	18%	320
Alliance Bk. ..	100	Jan.-Aug.	14%	335
Bk. of Baroda Rs. 50	100	Jan.-July.	8%	73
Bank of Bombay ..	500	..	10%	1,400
Bank of Bengal ..	500	Jan.-July .	19%	1,500
Bank of India Rs. 50	100	Feb.-July	7%	75
Bank of Madras ..	500	do.	12%	1,275
Central Bk. Rs. 35 ..	50	..	5%	77
Central Co-op. Bk.	50	..	6%	33
Standard Bk. { O 50 / P 50	100	Jan.-July	Nil.	30
	100	do.	Nil.	35
EXCHANGE BKS.	£			
Chartered Bank ..	20	Oct.-April	15%	£60
Eastern Bank Ltd £4	£10	March	5%	62
Mercantile Bk. { £ 12½ A .. / 12½ B ..	25	..	10%	£23
	25	..	10%	£22½
Hongkong & Shang. .	$ 125	Feb.-Aug.	33⅓	£80
National Bank £12½	£20	Sept.-Mar.	10%	600

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

			Last half Year Div.		
Ahmedabad Advance	..	500	Apl.-Oct.	40	630
Bhiwani Cotton	..	100	..	3	295
Bombay Cotton	..	500	Nil.	..	290
Bombay Dyeing	..	250	..	25	920
Bombay United	..	250	..	25	747-8
Century	..	100	Mar.-Sept.	10	305
Central India O	..	500	May-Nov.	90	3,335
Central India P	..	500	May-Nov.	5%	X.D. 437½
China	..	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	350
Colaba Land & Mill	..	700	..	55	1,200
Coorla	..	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	Yr. 50	525
Crescent	..	100	April.	8	221-4
Carrimbhoy	..	250	Mar.-Sept.	15	325
David	..	250	do.	15	450
Edward Sassoon	..	200	May-Nov.	10	185
Emperor Edward	..	500	..	25	550
Fazulbhoy	..	250	Mar.-Sept.	15	692-8
Framji Petit	..	1,000	May.	40	1,200
Finlay	..	250	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	280
Gold Mohur	..	500	..	25	285
Globe	..	100	..	Nil.	nom. 80
Hindustan	..	1,000	..	50	525
Hyderabad	..	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	50	1,600
Indian Dyeing	..	100	do.	12½	290
Indian Manufg.	..	1,000	..	20	400
Indo-China	..	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	60	800
Indore Malwa	..	100	Apl.-Oct.	15	445
Jamshed	..	250	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	60
Jewraj Balco	..	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	395
Kasturchand	..	500	Mar.-Sept.	25	1,100
Khandesh	..	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	35	1,135
Khatao	..	1,000	June-Dec.	40	1,800
Kohinoor	..	500	Mar.-Sept.	10	705
Lakshmi Cotton	..	1,000	Mar.-Aug.	100	1,335
Madhowji Dharamsi	..	500	Apl.-Sept.	55	1,645
Madras United	..	1,000	June-Dec.	50	1,700
Maneckjee Petit	..	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	1,500
Meyer Sassoon	..	100	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	85
Morarjee Goculdas	..	1,000	..	40	2,300
Nawab of Cambay	..	500	Apl.-Oct.	20	nom. 530
New Great Eastern	..	200	..	4	182-8
New City of Bombay	..	500	Apl.-Oct.	25	850
Pearl	..	250	..	15	495
Phoenix	..	100	Mar.-Sept.	5	165
Presidency	..	1,000	Jan.-July .	Nil.	200
Sassoon Cotton	..	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	350
Sasson Silk	..	250	April	Nil.	340
Sholapore	..	1,000	do.	150	5,200
Sir Sinapurji Broacha	..	Rs. 100	..	Nil.	89
Simplex	..	250	June.-Dec.	15	X.D. 597-8
Standard	..	500	Mar.-Sept.	50	X.D. 1470
Sun	..	125	May-Nov.	5	25
Swan	..	250	Oct.	7½	295
Swadeshi	..	500	Mar.-Oct	60	1,760
Tata Mill { O / P	..	500	400	..	525
	..	500	400	5½	370
Textile	..	500	Mar.-Sept.	50	1,450
Union { O. / P.	..	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	200
	..	500	..	35	400
Vishnu Cotton	..	500	..	7½	630
Western India	..	1,000	..	25	X. D. 370
Mysore Spinning	..	250	Feb.-Aug.	8⅓	300

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Dholka	..	100	Mar.-Aug.	5½%	100
Amritsar Patti	..	100	do.	8%	125
Ahmedabad Prantij	..	500	do.	7%	590
Ahmedabad Prantij Debenture	..	500	do.	4½%	Par 580
*Central Provinces	..	100	Jan.-July	4½	98
*Dhond—Baramati	..	100	do.	4½%	88
Guzerat	..	100	Jan.-June	5%	90
Hoslarpur Doab	..	100	do.	4%	114
Mandra Bhon Rs. 90	..	100	Apl.-Oct.	4%	80
Pachora Jamur Rs. 75	..	100	Jan.-July.	4%	82
Sara Sirajganj	..	100	May-Nov.	4%	90
Shalkot Narowal	..	100	Apl.-Oct.	4%	100
*Sind Light	..	100	July-Dec.	7%	115
Tapti Valley	..	500	Mar.-Aug.	6%	628
Upper Sind Light	..	100	Jan.-July	5%	101

PRESS COMPANIES.

		Rs.		Rs.	
Akbar	..	750	May.	250	350
Albert Kurrachee	..	1,000	Nov.	45	850
Breul's Cawnpore	..	200	Aug.	6	160
Bellary Press	..	275	..	15	100
Broach City	..	200	Oct.	6	145
Fort	..	275	Nov.	20	800
Godavery Valley	..	100	..	6	120
Harvey and Sabapat	..	500	July	40	800
Hindustan P. & M.	..	250	..	..	140
Hingoles	..	100	Sept.	6	45
Indian Cotton	..	125	Oct.	6½	140
Junna Ging & P.Co	..	1,000	..	7½	640
Kurrachee Press	..	500	Jan.	8%	505
Khamgaum	..	400	Sept.	Nil.	830
Mahmudpura Cta.	..	125	..	7½	100
Mahwa	..	200	Oct.	Nil.	125
Mercantile	..	125	do.	Nil.	20
Manmar Mfg.	..	250	Aug	15	220
New East Indian	..	1,000	Sept	40	1 000
New Mofussil Co.	..	400	Nov.	50	755
New Berar	..	500	Oct.	25	480
New Prince of Wales	..	500	do.	40	700
Sind	..	400	Nov.	Nil.	250
Surat City	..	200	Oct.	18	235
Volkart U.P.Co., Ltd.	..	500	Sept.	30	490
Vardwan, G.P.	..	150	..	..	190

MISCELLANEOUS COMPANIES.

Alcock Ashdown Co.	..	100	Oct.-May	50	825
Ali-India U. Co. Rs. 30	..	100	August.	Rs. 7	4
Bamankus	..	6	..	Rs. 2	6½
Back Bay Bath	..	50	..	6	96
Badham Pile	..	70	June	8	X-D 98
Baroda Tram Co.	..	100	..	Nil.	45
Brick and Tile	..	80	..	..	100
Brl. Burma Pat	..	6	Mar.-Oct.	5½	5
Bombay Burma	..	125	Jan.-Aug.	15H.T.	940
B. Electric S. & T. { P / O	..	£10	Feb.-Aug.	6%	175
	..	£10	..	7%	317-8
	..	40	..	Rs. 2	20
Bombay Ice.	..	500	Jan.-Aug.	100	1,54[illegible]
Bombay Flour	..	400	..	25	380
Bo. Land & Building	..	250	Mar.-Sept.	12½	270
Bombay Steam Navigation Co. { O / P	..	250	Feb.-Oct.	6%	X-D 375
Bundl Cement Co.	..	10	New Co.	Nil.	19-8
Central I.M.Co. Ltd	..	10	April	2	56
City of Bo. Bldg. Co.	..	500	Dec.-Jan.	25	320
Delhi Flour	..	200	Sept.	5	120
Empire of I. Life Rs. 50	..	500	..	42%	385
The Eastern { O / Chemical Co. { D Esh.	..	£1	Nil.	Nil.	18
	..	2sh.	Nil.	Nil.	35
Indian Cement Co. { O / D / P	..	250	..	Nil.	345
	..	100	..	Rs. 3	X. D. 250
Ratnl Cement	..	40	..	Nil.	X. D. 815
	..	100	..	7%	15
Ind. Mercantile In. Co., Ltd. Rs. 20	..	100	Dec.	8½%	105
Indian Cotton Oil Co. { O. { Old 1 0 / New Issue 7s / P. 15/	..	100	Dec.-July .	7%	80
	..	100	Dec.-July	7%	..
	..	250	March.	7%	215
John Roberts & Co.	..	100	Oct.-July .	15	100
Jost's Eng., Co., Ld	..	50	Oct.	10%	55
Kemp & Co., Rs. 175	..	200	July	Rs. 16	105
Kurrachee Landg. Rs. 75	..	200	..	Nil.	100
Marcks & Co.	..	100	July	15	280
Mackenzie's Saw Mills	..	100	..	Rs. 15	00
Marsland Price Co.	..	100	..	4%	nom. 80
Marsland Price Co. P. O. Govt., S. Life A. Rs. 50	..	100	..	7%	65
	..	200	May	30%	450
Phillips & Co.	..	40	July	Rs. 5	11½
Port Canning Co.	..	1,000	Sept.	11½	700
Shivrajpur Synd'cate	..	10	..	Rs. 1	X.D. 43-8
Stridar Carbonic Gas	..	100	Mar.-Aug.	8	nom. 55
Siddeley Ice Mfg. Co.	..	100	..	6	100
Tata Iron Steel Co.	..	75	Sept.	15%	X.D. 240
	..	30	Sept.	185%	X.D. 915
	..	150	Mar.-Sept.	8%	180
Tata Hydro Elec.	..	1,000	Jan.	8%	X.D. 1110
Tata Hydro Deb Com. P.S.	..	1,000	Jan.	4%	,, 820
Thacker & Co.	..	1,000	April Oct.	5½%	5%Prem
Telephone Co.	..	5	May	20%	200
	..	50	..	Rs. 5	130

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(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

SIMLA, Mar. 20.

The depression from Afghanistan is now over North-West Frontier Province and Kashmir, but has given no rain or snow. A few falls occurred in the extreme south of Burma. The chief amounts are Mergui one and half inches; Tavoy one, Port Blair a half.

Forecast:—A few falls in the North-West Frontier Provinces and Kashmir.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday, the 20th March 1917, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are heavily clouded in the extreme north, moderately clouded at Ambala and Hissar and clear elsewhere. The air is drier than usual. Day temperature continues in excess in the north and the east Punjab.

The United Provinces.—Skies are lightly or moderately clouded. Humidity is normal or in defect. Temperature is nearly normal.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear in upper Sind and lightly clouded elsewhere. Night temperature is in excess in lower Sind but in defect in upper Sind.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are lightly clouded at some stations in Kathiawar and clear elsewhere. Humidity is normal or in excess. Day temperature is in defect at Veraval, Bhavnagar-Para and Surat.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect.

General Remarks.—Weather has again been dry. The unsettled conditions in north-west India are more marked.

A few dust or thunderstorms may occur in the Punjab, Rajputana and the west United Provinces and a few thunderstorms in Malabar.

TEMPERATURE IN BOMBAY.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

Bombay, 19th Mar. 1917.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m. 10 a.m. 2 p.m. 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.		
Barometer corrected to 31 deg Fahs....	29.879	Inchs
Temperature of Air	78.3	Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	70.1	"
Deg Point	66.3	"
Relative humidity of Air	0.671	"
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky Monday—10)	0.8	"
Maximum temperature of Air	84.0	"
Minimum.....do.....	72.3	"
General direction of Wind from midnight to midnight	WNW.NW.	
Movement of Wind do. do.	162	Miles.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

		HIGH WATER.				LOW WATER.			
Day of Week.	Day of Month.	Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still	Day of Month.	Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.	
	Mar.	h.	m.	ft.	in.	Mar	h.	m.	ft. in.
Tues.	20	m 9	2	25	11	20	m 3	15	18 10
		9	30a	27	10		3	6a	16 11
Wed	21	m 9	59	27	3	21	m 3	58	17 3
		10	29a	28	8		4	0a	16 4
Thur	22	m 10	47	28	6	22	m 4	37	15 10
		11	6a	29	2		4	46a	16 0
Fri.	23	m 11	33	29	5	23	m 5	12	14 10
		11	48a	29	4		5	29a	16 0
Sat.	24	0	18a	29	9	24	m 5	48	14 2
							6	11a	16 4
Sun.	25	m 0	20	29	1	25	m 6	24	14 0
		1	2a	29	7		6	52a	17 0
Mon.	26	m 0	57	28	6	26	m 7	0	14 5
		1	45a	28	11		7	32a	18 0

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week:—

Mar.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
" 20 (Tuesday)	6h. 43m.	6h. 56m.
" 21 (Wednesday)	6h. 42m.	6h. 56m.
" 22 (Thursday)	6h. 41m.	6h. 56m.
" 23 (Friday)	6h. 40m.	6h. 56m.
" 24 (Saturday)	6h. 39m.	6h. 56m.
" 25 (Sunday)	6h. 39m.	6h. 51m.
" 26 (Monday)	6h. 38m.	6h. 51m.

PHASES OF THE MOON:—

New Moon	1917	Mar.	23rd	9h.	35.0m. a.m.
First Quarter	"	"	30th	4h.	6.4m. p.m.
Full Moon	"	April	7th	7h.	18.8m. p.m.
Last Quarter	"	"	15th	1h.	42.0m. a.m.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may by comparison with a standard instrument ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer in the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 80 deg. F. and to the level of the tide, at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, on the 20th March 1917 was 30.069 inches For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometer of ships the reading of the ship's barometer has to be increased or decreased by 0.31 inch for every 5 degrees according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid no temperature correction is needed. But for comparison at 80 deg. F. all aneroid readings should be increased by .138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or aneroid for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, the ship's barometer reading should be increased by .010 inch for every 10 feet of the height to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given.

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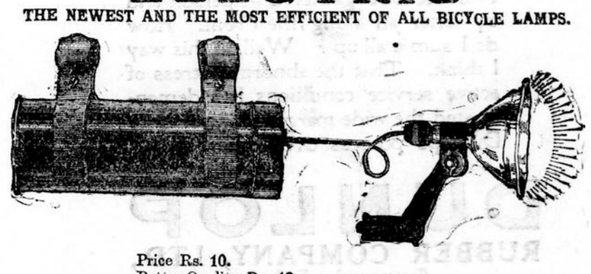

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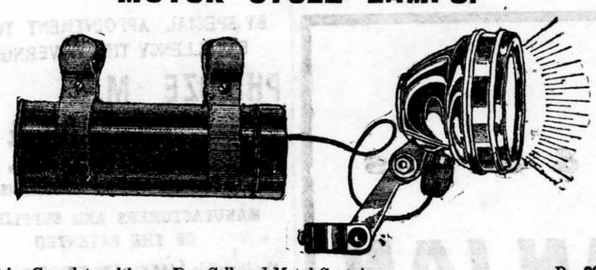

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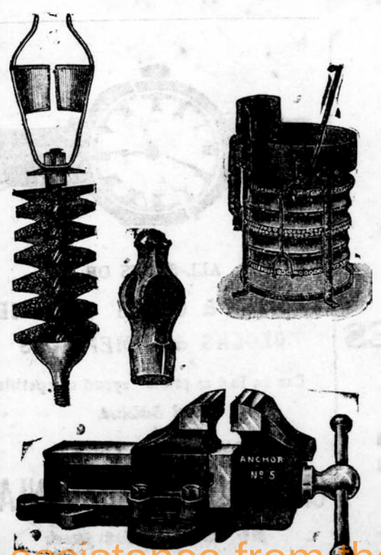

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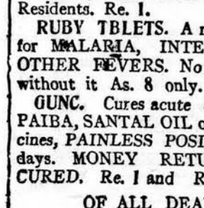

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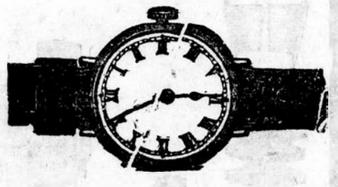

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